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# 'IRA ready to hit mainland targets again'

## King urges vigilance to combat active unit

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

**Greater vigilance was urged on the part of civilians and servicemen yesterday by Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, who said it was highly probable the IRA has established an active service unit on the mainland.**

**Mr King issued his warning as the IRA killed another soldier in Ulster, the third within 24 hours.**

**He said further attacks could be expected on the mainland in the aftermath of the explosion at the Inglis Barracks in Mill Hill, north London, on Monday.**

"It is clear the IRA is trying to develop a campaign to kill as many people as they can", Mr King said. "That's all they know."

He also announced that he had cancelled holidays scheduled to start yesterday to stay in touch with senior officials at the Northern Ireland Office and with Whitehall.

Mr King's warning that an active service unit could be operating in Britain is likely to have been made against the background of intelligence briefings by the Royal Ulster Constabulary on the latest IRA plans.

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In an interview on BBC Radio Ulster, Mr King said: "To look at recent tragedies, one realizes the total disinterest of the IRA in who they may kill so long as they kill and cause as much distress and suffering as possible".

He rejected criticism from Mr James Molyneaux, the Official Unionist leader who said the Government was being distracted from the one aim of eradicating terrorism by a number of "sideshow" arguments on such irrelevant issues as devolution, integration and privatization.

The Government was absolutely determined to defeat the terrorists, but "I am not prepared to say that we won't attempt to make some political progress, to tackle the economic situation, the lack of jobs", Mr King said. To do that would be to allow the Provisionals to dictate the agenda.

As Mr King was being interviewed, the security authorities in Ulster were considering how to increase the personal security of the police and Ulster Defence Regiment volunteers.

They are particularly keen to provide more secure parking after the murder of RUC Det Constable John Warnock, aged 45, who was blown up as he drove off duty in Lisburn, Co Antrim on Tuesday.

He had had to park his car for seven hours in a street in the town centre because of the lack of space at the Seymour Street RUC station where he worked. It is believed that a 3lb bomb was placed beneath the car in spite of it being market day.

Mr King said that, in the case of Det Constable Warnock's murder and the shooting less than 30 minutes later of another member of the UDR in a crowded shopping centre seven miles away, it was almost certain that people must have seen something that could help the investigations.

Another UDR volunteer, Private Roy McNicholl, aged 30, was shot dead yesterday morning as he drove to his civilian job in Co Tyrone. Private McNicholl had been a part-time soldier for 12 years. He was married with a daughter aged three and lived at Cookstown, Co Londonderry.

He was the tenth member of the regiment to be murdered this year, all of them having been killed while off duty.

His killers had confined at gunpoint overnight a family of five inside their home at Stewartstown. The family's white Audi car was then used by the gunmen yesterday morning as their getaway vehicle.

They opened up with automatic weapons from both sides of the road as Private McNichol slowed his car to negotiate a narrow humped bridge on a rural side road three miles from Cookstown, and just four miles from where the same IRA unit injured six UDR members with a big roadside landmine which was detonated as their armoured Land Rover drove past on Monday.

Private Nicholl was hit several times in the head and chest but was still alive when he reached hospital at Dungannon where he died a short time later.

In a statement from Dublin, Mr Charles Haughey, the Irish prime minister, said he condemned in the strongest possible terms the recently intensified campaign of violence by the IRA.

Mr Haughey said: "This violence is particularly deplorable in the present context when hopes of political progress are being encouraged. It can do nothing to bring about a solution to the tragic problems of Northern Ireland."

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● There were two winners of the £4,000 daily prize yesterday (see page 3) so the Portfolio Accumulator stands at £138,000.

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## Gatting is fined £5,000

*Mike Gatting, the former England cricket captain, was yesterday fined £5,000 by the Test and County Cricket Board's disciplinary committee*

Gatting, sacked from the captaincy earlier this summer following newspaper allegations concerning his private life, breached his contract by including references in his book to the controversial tour of Pakistan ..... Page 36

## Accolade for The Times

*The Times* comes out top among Britain's national newspapers for political and sports coverage, according to a survey published yesterday by *Which?*, the Consumers' Association magazine.

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## Thatcher is mobbed by Melbourne protesters




Under guard: Mrs Thatcher being escorted on a walkabout after she was surrounded by yelling demonstrators yesterday.

## Security row over police blunder

From Robin Oakley
Melbourne

*A potentially dangerous blunder* by police and security authorities here yesterday saw Mrs Thatcher mobbed by yelling demonstrators during a shopping mall walkabout.

IRA supporters, far-left groups, unwashed squatters and gay rights activists jostled around the Prime Minister, shouting slogans, throwing sweets and on one occasion firing what turned out to be a water pistol close to her.

*At one stage she was penned* up in a shop for nearly 15 minutes while police, who appeared to have no concerted plan, cleared a way for her motorcade to whisk her away. When the cars did come Mr Bernard Ingham, the Prime Minister's press secretary, missed by a hair's breadth being run over.

What was all the more surprising was that security forces had been on special alert for the Prime Minister's safety after the theft of a large consignment of explosives shortly before her arrival in Australia and the IRA's new terror campaign in London.

Later, Chief Inspector Brendan Bannan, of the major incidents and planning section of the Victoria state police, said: "I believe the problem was caused by the media. It was the photographers that impeded her progress."

But the photographers were only a tiny proportion of the human wave that propelled us up Little Collins Street, bruising bystanders and frightening mothers and children. Photographers do not shout "Maggie out", "Fascist beast" and "Home home homophobe".

And Mr Frank Green, the Assistant Commissioner in charge of security, said: "The walk was at the insistence of the British authorities and against the recommendations of the Victorian Government and police." He said the Downing Street party had *insisted on an informal walk* and that was the reason no barriers had been erected. Other officials and police admitted, however, that the walkabout had been a "schemozzle" and a security *disaster*.

A senior Downing Street official with Mrs Thatcher's party said: "We have no evidence of any advice against the walkabout and our normal disposition is to seek barriers because this helps both the public and the media."

Mrs Thatcher was determined, however, to carry on with her next scheduled walkabout, in Sydney today.

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### Reagan fuels Dukakis controversy

## 'Look, I'm not going to pick on an invalid'

From Charles Bremner, New York



Mr Reagan: Regretted his joke about Mr Dukakis.

The mental health of Mr Michael Dukakis, the Democratic contender for the White House, emerged yesterday as a presidential campaign issue after an ill-chosen joke by President Reagan and a call by *The Wall Street Journal* for the Massachusetts governor to come clean over his medical history.

For months, fringe political groups have been circulating rumours – strongly denied by Dukakis staff and his doctor – that he had undergone psychiatric treatment for depression twice during the 1970s.

In the past week, the stories and denials surfaced again after Mr Dukakis declined either to answer detailed questions on his health or to release his full medical records.

Yesterday, Mr Reagan sent the issue into the headlines when a reporter asked him whether he felt that Mr Dukakis should make his medical records available so that the public could decide if he was fit to lead the nation.

Mr Reagan replied: "Look, I'm not going to pick on an invalid." Minutes later, he tried to play down the gaffe, saying that he had been joking and "I don't think I should have said what I said."

Mr Dukakis laughed off Mr Reagan's joke. "I'm a very healthy guy," he said in Boston. Asked if he had ever suffered from depression, he said: "No." Asked if he had ever consulted a psychiatrist, he said: "No."

*The Wall Street Journal*, which is strongly pro-Republican, yesterday abandoned the caution exercised so far by the rest of the serious press and in a long editorial suggested that there might be fire behind the rumour smoke.

It said: "What strikes us in the health-record issue ... is how little the American people know about this man nominated to be their President. And upon whom, to judge by the polls, many voters have projected their hopes for an efficient, uncomplicated, straight-arrow leader."

Rumours of depression were predictable from incidents in Mr Dukakis's biography, the newspaper said. "It is not too early to say there is something curious going on here.

Both Mr Dukakis's spokesmen and his personal physician have denied the stories. Dr Gerald Plotkin said this week: "I have never treated him for depression, nor has he shown any signs of depression, nor am I aware that anyone else has ever treated him for depression or any such symptoms."

The two episodes in the Dukakis background which have trigerred the rumours were the history of mental instability suffered by his brother, Stelian, who was killed in a bicycle accident in 1973, and the manner in which he is said to have taken his defeat in 1978 when he lost the governorship of Massachusetts after his first term. His wife, Kitty, has described his dejection as a "public death".

### Prime Minister criticized over South Africa

## Kinnock's apartheid attack

By Philip Webster in London and Robin Oakley in Canberra

Mr Neil Kinnock accused the Prime Minister yesterday of being apartheid's leading apologist and of being timid in her approach to the South African regime.

The Labour leader said Mrs Margaret Thatcher had more sympathy with the "blackmailers" in the South African government than with the victims of apartheid, but she did not have the candour to admit it.

Mr Kinnock, who raised Conservative hackles by attacking Mrs Thatcher over sanctions during his recent trip to southern Africa, delivered his latest outburst after she rejected sanctions during a question session at the Canberra Press Club on her Australian tour yesterday.

She said: "The enormous problems which that country has of getting rid of apartheid would not be helped by – from a comfortable luncheon or parliament building or international conference in a five-star hotel – deciding that there should be poverty and starvation on the part of a large number of black people because we would choose to impose comprehensive sanctions.

"That would not help at all and I would always shrink from doing it."

She urged Western nations not to isolate South Africa. "We have talked to the Soviet Union, even though we fundamentally disagreed with them", she said.

Big foreign companies, she said, were actually breaking down apartheid with their mixed housing schemes and payment on merit.

"To have any sanctions against them would be to break down the instrument which in practice will bring apartheid to an end."

Mr Kinnock then issued a statement in London saying that Mrs Thatcher was "making her usual excuses".

He said the apartheid regime was using 28 million people as hostages and Mrs Thatcher was happy to fall in with that, letting policy be dictated by the hostage-takers.

She was as "wilfully wrong" as she had always been, he said. The demand for sanctions came most strongly from the people in the churches, the townships and the trade unions in South Africa, not from people in the distant comfort of "five-star hotels".

By claiming that black people would starve as a result of sanctions, the apartheid regime was trying to blackmail the world into not adopting sanctions. Mrs Thatcher rightly rejected the dictating of policy by hostage-takers elsewhere, so why did she accept it so readily from apartheid?

"It can only be that in this case she has more sympathy with the blackmailers than she has with the victims – and has not the candour to admit it. Why else would someone who has tried to build a reputation as an international tigress approach apartheid with the timidity of a stray tabby cat?"

Though they have disagreed sharply in the past about sanctions, Mrs Thatcher and

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## Red Square pilot freed by Moscow

By Our Foreign Staff

Herr Mathias Rust, the young West German pilot whose landing in Red Square shook the Soviet Defence Ministry to its foundations, was freed yesterday after 14 months in a Moscow prison and expelled to his home country.

The 20-year-old flier, who penetrated Soviet airspace in a single-engine Cessna on May 28, 1987, was taken directly to Moscow airport from Lefortovo Prison, where he had been held ever since his flight.

Tass news agency said the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, the country's highest executive body, decreed earlier in the day that Herr Rust "be freed from further serving his term and expelled from the Soviet Union".



Herr Rust, after he was freed from prison yesterday

He was told the news of his release by the Soviet Assistant Procurator-General, Mr Anatoly Vrublevsky, and responded, "Thank you."

Herr Rust told a Tass correspondent that he had no complaints about his treatment in captivity, and that he was eager to return to his family and friends.

"I realize that I have committed serious criminal offences and the fact that the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet freed me from punishment before I served my term is an act of humanism," Tass quoted him as saying. "I think this also attests to the overall improvement of relations between our two countries."

He said he wanted to be reunited with his family and

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## Astronomers detect giant planet in outer space

By Pearce Wright
Science Editor

The first observations that show the existence of a planet orbiting a star outside the solar system were described yesterday in a report to the International Astronomical Union.

The astronomers estimated that the planet is 30,000 times larger than the Earth. It is so close to its own star that it orbits once every 84 days. Mercury, the planet closest to the sun, has an orbit of 87 days.

The discovery was announced by Dr David Latham, from the Oak Ridge Observatory in Massachusetts, to a conference being held in Baltimore.

He described how his team had found the planet by accident while they were conducting instrument tests using a star known as HD 114762. The characteristics of the star are so well known that astronomers have used them for years as a standard against which they can compare measurements when they are looking for basic types of star.

The astronomers were analysing the light from HD 114762 with a photon-counting system instrument mounted on a 61-inch reflector telescope. Their instruments detected a slight wobble in the motion of the star that could only be caused by a nearby orbiting body.

Dr Latham said that the planet would have to be massive, about 20 times larger than Jupiter, which is the largest planet in the solar system, in order to give the star such a wobble.

Yet the planet is too small and too distant, about 90 light years from Earth, to be seen directly. The size of the planet was derived from calculations of its gravitational effects on the star.

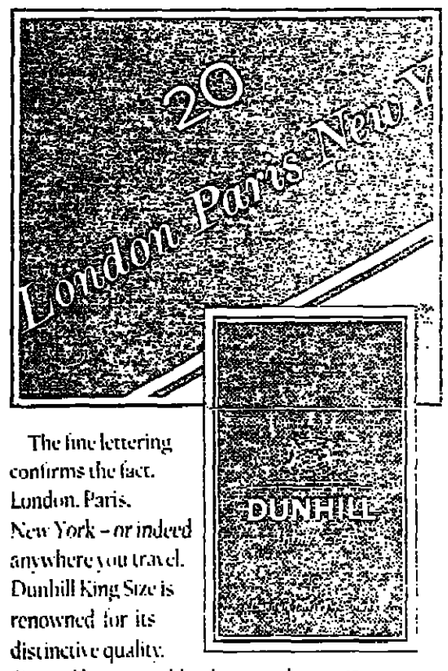
Dr Latham believes the discovery indicates that "companion bodies," or planet-like bodies orbiting stars, may be more common than was previously believed. That would provide plenty of chances for an Earth-like planet supporting life.

The new planet is probably lifeless, because it would have a surface temperature of hundreds of degrees. "It is much hotter than an oven," according to Dr Latham.

The technique the astronomers used was not sensitive enough to detect whether the new planet had a companion the size of Earth.

The detection of the planet around the star has been confirmed by a Swiss astronomer, Dr Michel Mayor, at the Geneva Observatory.

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## Supplies of baby rattles stopped

Boots has suspended supplies to its stores of a 99p baby's rattle after a complaint from a Staffordshire family when the bell fell apart and came out of the rattle's cage. Product safety staff at the company, which has sold 52,000 of the Taiwan-made rattles since they were introduced a year ago, are examining the faulty one. Boots will decide whether to withdraw the product, called Boots Bell Rattle and which conforms to British and European standards, from sale when the tests are complete.

Mr Philip Mansey, landlord of the Albion public house in Newcastle-under-Lyme, complained when the bell broke apart as his seven-month-old son Steven played with it. "He could very easily have swallowed the bell", he said.

● In April Boots withdrew cot bumpers from sale in all its stores after a 21-month-old baby was strangled by ties attached to one. Since then other retailers, including Marks and Spencer, have issued warnings to shorten bumper ties to eight inches.

## 'Law shops' warning

Consumers seeking advice from solicitors, accountants, surveyors and other professionals operating from under one roof may be at a disadvantage because of conflicting disciplinary codes, the National Federation of Consumer Groups says in its latest newsletter. When things went wrong consumers wanted a clear, well-defined complaints procedure, the federation says. The relationship between clients and solicitors should be carefully considered before it was diluted in the interests of "supermarket professional shopping".

## Nuclear policy attack

The policy of siting nuclear power stations near centres of population is criticized in a report by the Royal Institute of British Architects whose main conclusions will be released tomorrow to coincide with the anniversary of the first atomic bomb being dropped on Hiroshima on August 6, 1945. The report, *Nuclear Disasters and the Built Environment*, says that siting policy is "more lax" than in the United States, with five nuclear power stations – at Berkeley, Bradwell-on-Sea, Oldbury, Heysham and Hartlepool – within 10 miles of more than 100,000 people.

## Triad group denied

Two members of the Chinese community in Portsmouth, who were said to have led a Triad plot to demand money with menaces from a Chinese businessman in the town, denied any knowledge of a Triad organization there, a court was told yesterday. Det Constable Peter Stokes said he interviewed Siu Sum-cheung, aged 36, and Tin Leung-wong, aged 33, of Seymour Close, and both denied being members of a Triad. The two and Sau Yin-cheung, aged 30, and his girlfriend, Yuet Ming-chan, aged 40, both of the Old Farm Way, Hartland, Portsmouth, deny conspiracy to demand £6,800 from Fu Wing-chan, a businessman.

## Screening for cancer

Mr Antony Newton, the new Minister of Trade and Industry, yesterday launched a cancer screening programme for 37,000 women employees at the Post Office. The service, which is being run by the AMI Healthcare Group, will cost £850,000 and uses a specially-built mobile unit equipped with consulting rooms staffed by an all-woman medical team. It will tour Britain over the next two years to offer cervical cancer screening services to all female Post Office employees and breast screening for women over 45.

## Tree fund response

The National Trust's appeal for funds to clear and replace trees lost in last October's hurricane has been the most successful in its history. It is within £20,000 of its target of £1.5 million and will be relaunched on the anniversary of the storm to attract long-term funding for the creation of the parks, gardens and woodlands of the twenty-first century.

# Electricians aim for pendulum rail deal

By Tim Jones

Leaders of the electricians' union may try to negotiate a pendulum arbitration system at Docklands Light Railway in east London.

Earlier this week, the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union, which faces expulsion from the Trades Union Congress for refusing to abandon two such deals, ensured a wide-ranging membership war when it beat off a consortium of the three traditional rail unions to become the only recognized union on the east London light railway.

Because a negotiating procedure has already been established at the railway, the union would seek such a deal only if the 43 members it has and other workers represented by elected staff company councillors wanted it.

Although acknowledged as a progressive method of erazing confrontational "them and us" disputes within companies, surprisingly few firms have embraced the system since it was introduced in Britain seven years ago in an agreement between the electricians and Toshiba at Plymouth.

Essentially, pendulum arbitration is designed to introduce moderation and reason in negotiations and is underpinned by a binding acceptance by both sides that failure to agree will be put to an arbitrator whose finding will be final.

The arbitrator must come down firmly for the case of one side or the other and does not have the freedom to suggest a compromise solution.

In an extreme case, where a union claimed a pay rise of 25 per cent and a company offered nothing, the arbitrator would be forced to choose one or the other.

At present, the EETPU has about 30 such agreements, but they are generally resisted by other unions such as the Transport and General Workers' as they are usually allied to no-strike deals, which fundamentalists say remove the rights of workers to withdraw their labour.

Mr Roy Sanderson, of the EETPU, said: "Any reasonably minded student of industrial conflict can see there are no winners when it comes to a strike.

"We seek these agreements in the knowledge that the arguments we put forward are based on a reasonable assessment of the situation and not on any ideological conflict."

The Engineering Employers' Federation, which represents 5,000 companies employing 600,000 workers, said it was not aware of a single member using the system and the Confederation of British Industry said it had no policy on the matter.

Some big unions feel justified in rejecting the pendulum formula because in the 15 or 16 cases where such agreements have run their course, companies, on the "score count", are ahead by three to one.

In the latest case, IBC Vehicles, the joint US-Japanese-owned van manufacturers lost an award to the Transport and General Workers' Union and the Manufacturing, Science and Finance Union, which have been among the most vociferous in demanding the expulsion of the electricians from the TUC.

The IBC agreement, which includes the electricians and the Amalgamated Engineering Union, was unusual in that it included the proviso that the pendulum award was legally binding, with the implication that failure to abide could result in legal suits.

In another recent decision, the engineers' union lost its pendulum arbitration with Bonas Machines, a Sunderland-based company that makes pattern textile weaving equipment.

## Railway union may act on ballot

By Tim Jones and Kerry Gill

Britain's largest rail union may register an official complaint against the ballot that resulted in Docklands Light Railway workers in east London voting to be represented by the electricians' union.

The National Union of Railwaymen indicated last night that if there were any irregularities in the way the secret postal ballot was conducted, it would ask the Electoral Reform Society, which oversaw the voting, to conduct its own investigation.

The Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union regards the result as a significant victory against Britain's three traditional rail unions.

NUR officials say at least five of their members did not received forms enabling them to take part in the ballot.

Because victory for the electricians' union was secured by only four votes, the NUR believes any suggestion that its members were denied an opportunity to vote must be investigated. Its officials will, however, consider the possibility that some NUR members failed to receive their voting forms because of a change of address.

Some NUR officials have also claimed that the Docklands Light Railway management provided superior facilities to the electricians' union.

Last night, Mr Cliff Bonnett, managing director of the east London railway, said: "All the unions concerned have been treated in exactly the same manner. No union had preferential treatment.

"The Electoral Reform Society was provided with a full list of staff eligible to take part in the ballot and the detailed arrangements of the ballot were left to it."

He said all the unions concerned had agreed that postal delivery of ballot papers was the most satisfactory method of distribution.

● The Scottish TUC followed the English body yesterday in voting to suspend the EETPU. Mr Campbell Christie, the STUC general secretary, said it would be up to individual unions to decide whether they regarded the electricians' union as fair game for "poaching".

# Lawson's tax cuts 'make North-South divide wider'

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Britain's North-South divide has been widened by this year's Budget, with 57 per cent of its top rate tax cuts going to the South-east, the Labour Party said yesterday.

Most of the cuts will be spent on foreign luxury goods, worsening the balance of payments and adding to pressure on interest rates, it claimed.

Computer studies showed that £1.2 billion of the £2 billion tax cuts went to the South-east, most of it to an estimated 100,000 taxpayers.

Northern Ireland received only £30 million, Wales and the North £60 million, the East and West Midlands, the North-west and Yorkshire £110 million and Scotland £130 million.

The figures were released by Mr Gordon Brown, shadow Chief Secretary to the Treasury, at the launch of Labour's *File on Fairness*, an initiative designed to chart the allegedly growing divide in Britain because of the Government's economic policy.

He told a London press conference that by injecting so much into the South-east, the Chancellor had damaged the country's social cohesion and the economy. He had increased the upward pressure on house prices, almost certainly made skill shortages worse and encouraged a top taxpayers' spending spree in foreign goods. He said that evidence from Morgan Grenfell, the City merchant bank, suggested that 83 per cent of the cuts would be spent and never reach the British economy.

Fifty-two per cent of all top rate taxpayers live in the South-east, as does 30 per cent of the population. As Treasury sources made plain yesterday, it is therefore inevitable that the region would receive the lion's share of the tax cut benefits.

Instead of worsening regional inequality, the Chancellor should have introduced a Budget aimed at narrowing the regional gap, Mr Brown said.

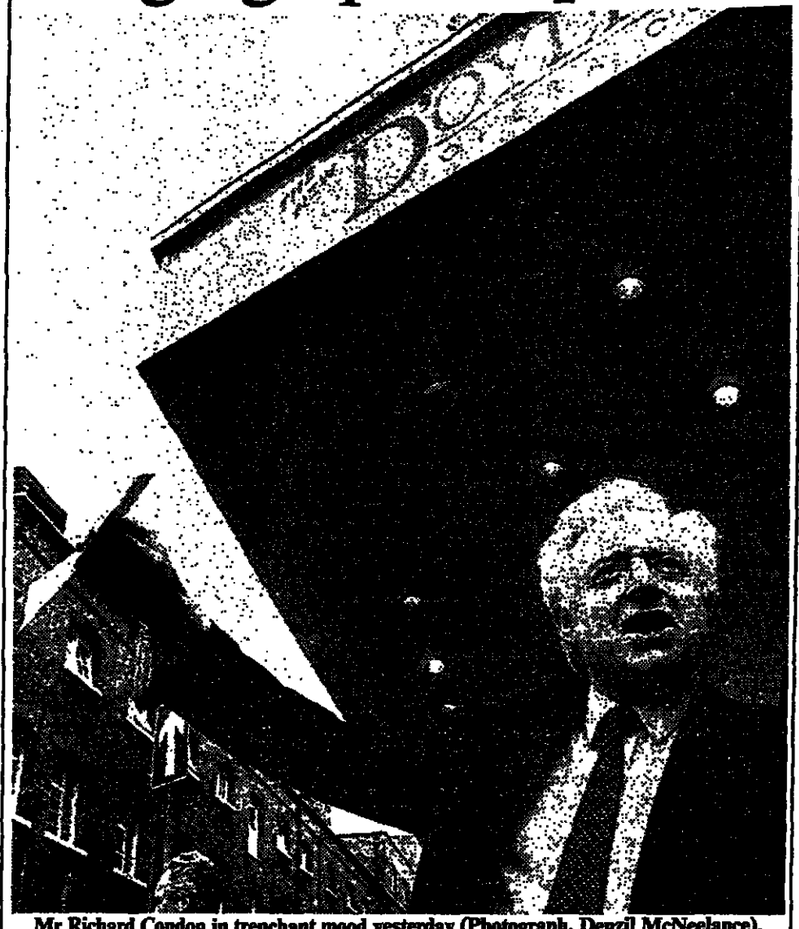
"Having combined social injustice with economic imprudence in his Budget strategy, Mr Lawson has done more to widen the regional divide than any Chancellor this century."

The *Fairness File* will be part of Labour's summer offensive on the economy. It is already producing a study to show the impact of the Budget, social security and mortgage rate changes on ordinary families; others will predict the likely effects of the community charge and chart what Mr Brown called the enormous growth in the inequality of incomes. Labour's activity on the economy follows forecasts that the balance of payments deficit could reach £10 billion instead of the expected £4 billion.

**1988 BUDGET TOP-RATE BENEFITS**

| Region | Total gain £(m) | Gain % | Population share % |
|---|---|---|---|
| South-East | 1190 | 57 | 30 |
| Northern Ireland | 30 | 1 | 3 |
| Wales | 60 | 3 | 5 |
| North | 60 | 3 | 5 |
| East Anglia | 80 | 4 | 4 |
| North West | 100 | 5 | 11 |
| Yorks/Humber | 110 | 5 | 9 |
| East Midlands | 110 | 5 | 7 |
| West Midlands | 110 | 5 | 9 |
| South West | 120 | 6 | 8 |
| Scotland | 130 | 6 | 9 |

# Singing opera's praises



Mr Richard Condon in trenchant mood yesterday (Photograph, Denzil McNeelance).

By Andrew Billen

The D'Oyly Carte Opera wants Gilbert and Sullivan to be taught in schools in recognition of the continuing cultural importance of the Victorian comic operas.

Mr Richard Condon, general manager of the company relaunched five months ago, said yesterday that the Department of Education and Science was considering incorporating the operas into the GCSE music syllabus.

The D'Oyly Carte company, whose new productions of *Iolanthe* and *The Yeomen of the Guard* opened to good reviews at the Cambridge Theatre in London last month, has been bolstered by the offer of a 10-year deal to tour the United Sttates.

Mr Condon believes the tours, lasting up to 11 weeks, will be worth £750,000 a year.

An agreement is about to be finalized with Mr Harold Shaw. The first eight-week visit to the United States in 1990 will probably feature *Iolanthe*, *The Mikado* and *The Pirates of Penzance*.

Mr Shaw said from New York: "I am interested in it as an investment. The D'Oyly Carte is established as part of the cultural life of Great Britain and generates great interest abroad."

The original D'Oyly Carte company collapsed in 1982 after the Arts Council refused it subsidy. It has been revived at a cost of £500,000 mainly from the estate of Dame Bridget D'Oyly Carte, the granddaughter of the impresario, and sponsorship from British Midland Airways.

● The final transfer of ownership of the Lyceum Theatre in London to the Brent Walker property group moved a step closer yesterday with defeat in the High Court for the rival Mecca Leisure Group.

Mr Justice Mervyn Davies struck out Mecca's claim for a long lease after its attempt was branded "frivolous and vexatious" by the theatre's owners, the London Residuary Body.

Mecca said that during eight years of negotiations with the Greater London Council between 1978 and 1986, the GLC had encouraged the belief that a long lease would be granted.

The judge said there was no binding contract and Mecca had received no assurance that the GLC would not withdraw from negotiations.

Mr George Walker, the company's chief executive, says he intends to spend £7 million on restoration.

## BBC wins more news viewers

By Richard Evans, Media Editor

The BBC has increased its audience share for weekday television news to 59 per cent.

The 18-point gap for the first half of 1988 compares with a 12 to 16 per cent difference for the same period last year. BBC chiefs last night said it was a "major advance".

Mr Ron Neil, BBC director of news and current affairs, said: "These figures are encouraging as they show that the BBC is providing a news service which is watched by a growing number of viewers".

Mr David Nicholas, editor and chief executive of Independent Television News, said *News at Ten* has, on average, beaten the BBC's *Nine O'clock News* over the past year, and has more than one million extra viewers.

He claimed the only reason the BBC had registered improved lunchtime figures was that the news was scheduled before *Neighbours*.

"ITN swept the board with four major prizes at the Royal Television Society journalism awards", he added.

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## English player beats chess title favourite

By Harry Golembek, Chess Correspondent

David Norwood, the English international master, caused a big surprise in the Kleinwort Benson British Chess Championship at Blackpool yesteray when he beat Viswanathan Anand, the world junior champion.

Norwood, from Bolton, beat Viswanathan, an Indian grandmaster and one of the favourites for the title, in 55 moves. The English player leads the competition with three points from three matches.

Other results: R Bellin ½, D King ½; G Flear 1, S Bell 0; P Rossiter 0, M Hebden 1; J Gallagher ½, G Morrison ½; C McNab 1, G Quillan 0; P Large ½, S D Singh ½; N Carton 1, N McDonald 0; A Mack 0, M Hennigan 1; Miss S Jackson ½, L Cooper ½; M Orr 1, J Poulton 0; M Lyell 0, A Mortazavi 1; G Burgess 1, T Clarke 0; T Upton ½, P Hutchinson ½; P Giulian ½, G Fraser-Mitchell ½.

**MPs attack doubling of Broadmoor expenditure as Holloway prison officers stay out**

# Jail building costs spiral

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

Huge overruns on the costs of constructing prisons, courts and other public buildings were disclosed in a sharply critical report by an all-party committee of MPs yesterday.

The cost of redeveloping Broadmoor Special Hospital had almost doubled to £33 million from an original estimate of £17.5 million, while the costs of building new prisons had soared by up to 82 per cent, the environment select committee said in a report on the performance of the Government's Property Services Agency.

Some of the overruns were due to "error or ineptitude" and some to work commencing before designs had been completed. The main cause was government departments changing their minds half way through a project.

At Littlehey prison, an extra £274,000 had been added to the total cost because the spacing between the staircase railings was too wide. At Thorn Cross open prison, smoke blowing the wrong way from a new boilerhouse led to extra costs of up to £1.2 million.

In oral evidence agency officials had been unable to cite any instances of requests for modifications being turned down, or of heads rolling as a result of the huge cost escalations. Mr Tom Pendry, a Labour member of the committee, rebuked them for their "airy-fairy" attitude.

The cost of Full Sutton Category B Prison had risen by £7 million to £32 million, of Littlehey by £12 million to £29 million, of Garth Category B Prison by £13 million to £38 million, of Brinsford Category B Prison by £12 million to £27 million, and of Woolwich Urban Prison and staff facilities by £18 million to £80 million.

*Environment Committee: Property Services Agency Main Estimates, 1988-89* (Stationery Office, £6.30).

# Defiant staff talk of drug dangers

By Andrew Morgan

The officers' social club at Holloway Prison has changed from relaxation area to nerve centre of industrial action, with many of the 250 officers involved talking of rising danger levels resulting from understaffing, and increased smuggling of narcotics to prisoners.

The club, with its combination entrance lock, reverberated to the sound of the record "Union Man" as shifts of officers spent their working day in this "safe area", with many walking out for the first time.

There was muted excitement each time Miss Jackie Mobbs, a national executive member of the Prison Officers' Association, announced supportive action from officers at other London jails, as they refused to receive any further prisoners.

The women mocked claims by Mr Colin Allen, the governor, that Holloway was running smoothly with the help of deputy governors from other prisons and non-striking officers. "We left some members in the psychiatric wing but, apart from that, Holloway has its problem", one officer said.

The club's bar was out of bounds and the shifts of up to 50 women, plus the occasional man, spent time cleaning the lounge and making sandwiches in between detailing finds – heroin, cannabis and a replica gun – missed through alleged reductions in searches.

The officers, earning between £13,000 and £15,000 a year, said action had escalated after a mandate was ignored that three staff should be present on each landing at unlocking time.

Last Friday, they claimed two wings were unlocked with only one officer on each, and that was found to be "totally unsafe".

Officer D Tarry (first names are not used ), who was involved with cell searches until two weeks ago, said: "We can't guarantee enough safety for inmates if the whole of the prison is unlocked. If a major incident occurred, we might not be able to handle it."

The officer, with 10 years service at Holloway, added: "How can a prison be expected to run smoothly with inadequate staff searches. It is leaving the prison wide open for our safety and the safety of the prisoners.

Undermanning had reached a peak, through the introduction of the "Fresh Start" working system, which they had agreed to give a three-month trial.

Officer P Taylor, with 14 years service at Holloway, and head of prisoner reception, said: "At evening times, it is a particularly unsafe place to be. Reception is undermanned with inadequate numbers of fully trained officers."

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# Bomb reconstruction begins

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Within the next few days the focus of the police investigation into the Mill Hill explosion will move from the shattered barracks block in north-west London to a vast covered shed run by explosives' experts from the Royal Armaments Research and Development Establishment based at Woolwich Arsenal, south-east London.

In that shed in the months to come the establishment's scientists will minutely sift scores of bags of rubble and debris from the barracks. What emerges may allow them to reconstruct the bomb and could eventually lead to the conviction of its manufacturer or armourer.

One anti-terrorist expert said yesterday: "It is a long, painful process but it is so essential".

The scientists' findings will be matched against a vast library of information culled from other attacks and arms finds over the years. The bomb at Mill Hill could match other devices where identities or fingerprints have been discovered.

The Woolwich team played important roles in the conviction last year of Gilbert McNamee, sentenced to life imprisonment as one of the IRA's most successful bomb manufacturers, and in piecing together the bomb which exploded at the Grand Hotel, Brighton, Sussex, during the Conservative Partyconference in 1984.

The system of piecing together material from bombing sites has now been developed to a sufficient degree in Britain for the Yard earlier this year to lend a detective from the anti-terrorist branch to the Dutch police to help to organize their search for evidence after an attack on RAF men.

At Mill Hill the area of the bomb will be divided into zones stretching out from the seat of the explosion. Trained officers on the scene will be looking carefully for anything that might be connected with a bomb. At Brighton a key part of the bomb was found buried inside a hotel lavatory 15 days after the blast.

● A pro-IRA march and rally is to go ahead in Islington, north London, on Saturday despite calls for it to be banned after the bombing of Inglis Barracks. The march, organized by the Irish Freedom Movement, marks the 17th anniversary of internment in Northern Ireland.

# Strike warning to tourists

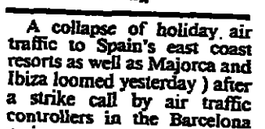
Thousands of British holidaymakers on the Greek islands who are booked to return on charter flights over the weekend were being urged by tour operators to return to Athens earlier to beat tomorrow's strike by Greek seamen.

The crews of Greek coastal ships and ferries voted for 24 hours of industrial action from 6 am tomorrow after their government rejected their demand for a 30 per cent pay rise.

The two principal British tour operators, Thomson and Intersun, are telling tourists to return to Athens sooner to be able to catch homebound flights tomorrow night.

Peak time for charter flights is between tomorrow night and Sunday and stranded tourists cannot expect to find vacant aircraft free seats before the middle or the end of next week.

FLIGHTCHECK



A collapse of holiday air traffic to Spain's east coast resorts as well as Majorca and Ibiza loomed yesterday ) after a strike call by air traffic controllers in the Barcelona region.

The executive committee of the Association of Catalan Air Traffic Controllers called for strike action on the August 27 and 30, and September 3.

The processing of travellers' cheques was seriously disrupted yesterday after a fire at the Peterborough headquarters of Thomas Cook.

**Birmingham:** No delays.

**Bristol:** Only delay yesterday was Orion Airways special schools charter to Grenoble which left at 4.00 pm, two hours late.

**East Midlands:** Two Britannia flights – from Alicante, due 1.30 pm, and Mahon, due 1.50 pm – arrived 3.00 pm. Orion flight from Treviso due 1.10 pm, arrived 3.15 pm.

**Gatwick:** Virgin Atlantic flight to Miami due out 12.30 pm, rescheduled 6.30 pm.

**Heathrow:** No delays.

**Leeds/Bradford:** No delays.

**Luton:** Monarch flight to Ibiza left 4.45 pm, 90 mins late. Britannia flight from Rome due 1.45 pm, arrived 3.15 pm; Monarch from Reus due 1.45 pm, arrived 4.00 pm; Britannia from Palma due 2.45 pm, arrived 3.45 pm.

**Manchester:** Weekend backlog still causing delays up to five hours. Danair flight from Palma due 7.15 am, arrived 12.15 pm; Orion from Tenerife due 7.45 am, arrived noon. Amber Air to Lesbos due out 10.25 am, left 2.45 pm; BCal to Rhodes due out 10.50 am, left 4.00 pm.

**Newcastle:** No delays.

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# Railway union may act on ballot

By Tim Jones and Kerry Gill

Britain's largest rail union may register an official complaint against the ballot that resulted in Docklands Light Railway workers in east London voting to be represented by the electricians' union.

The National Union of Railwaymen indicated last night that if there were any irregularities in the way the secret postal ballot was conducted, it would ask the Electoral Reform Society, which oversaw the voting, to conduct its own investigation.

The Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunication and Plumbing Union regards the result as a significant victory against Britain's three traditional rail unions.

NUR officials say at least five of their members did not receive forms enabling them to take part in the ballot.

Because victory for the electricians' union was secured by only four votes, the NUR believes any suggestion that its members were denied an opportunity to vote must be investigated. Its officials will, however, consider the possibility that some NUR members failed to receive their voting forms because of a change of address.

Some NUR officials have also claimed that the Docklands Light Railway management provided superior facilities to the electricians' union.

Last night, Mr Cliff Bonner, managing director of the east London railway, said: "All the unions concerned have been treated in exactly the same manner. No union had preferential treatment.

"The Electoral Reform Society was provided with a full list of staff eligible to take part in the ballot and the detailed arrangements of the ballot were left to it."

He said all the unions concerned had agreed that postal delivery of ballot papers was the most satisfactory method of distribution.

The Scottish TUC followed the English body yesterday in refusing to suspend the EETPU. Mr Campbell Christie, the STUC general secretary, said it would be up to individual unions to decide whether to expand their union's membership by poaching.

# Police act to protect women drivers after bogus patrols scare

By Ian Smith, Craig Seton and Michael Horsnell

New measures to ensure female motorists are not stopped by bogus unmarked police patrol cars were agreed yesterday by six forces.

Senior officers, concerned by two recent incidents on the M1 in Leicestershire where women were stopped by men masquerading as undercover patrol policemen, unanimously agreed that their unmarked vehicles should be easily recognizable at close range.

Both the driver and observer in such vehicles will wear full uniform and distinctive yellow jackets bearing the word "police". The vehicles will also be fitted with a blue flashing light that can be affixed to the roof.

Senior officers from Cheshire, Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Merseyside, Cumbria and the Royal Ulster Constabulary attended yesterday's meeting.

Other police forces – in the South, South-east, West, Wales and Scotland – said they would continue using unmarked patrol cars, however.

Leicestershire Constabulary took the lead on unmarked car earlier this week by deciding to withdraw them to protect solitary women from the growing menace of motorway prowlers.

Yesterday, several forces reminded crews to be sensitive when approaching female drivers, and Essex police have decided to ban undercover patrols at night.

Leicestershire police withdrew all unmarked cars from the M1 motorway after a woman was forced to stop by men posing as officers on Friday.

She was flagged down near Coalville by three men in a white Granada.

One of the men, wearing plain clothes, repeatedly asked the woman to get into the Granada. She was suspicious, however, and refused. The men subsequently drove off.

Unmarked cars will not be reintroduced in Leicestershire until the force has drawn up a standard means of identification to show that officers using them are genuine.

Mr Malcolm Cairns, assistant chief constable, said: "We hope our action will give reassurance to solitary female drivers."

Superintendent Les Barker, head of the Greater Manchester police motorway unit, said officers throughout the north were aware of the extremely sensitive, often emotive problems of using unmarked police vehicles to stop motorists.

"Motorways, particularly the hard shoulder, are an alien environment and we appreciate the apprehension, often mistrust, felt by motorists being stopped by unmarked vehicles.

"We believe the solution is to ensure that once stopped, drivers are very quickly and easily able to determine whether the people approaching them are police officers. If in any doubt, they should demand to see warrant cards."

Chief Inspector Alan Vautrey, head of the West Yorkshire motorway unit covering the A1, said motorists should refuse to open their car door if in doubt, and insist on being escorted to the nearest police station.

"We recognize the difficulties and are ever mindful of misunderstandings", he said. "For that reason we advise motorists to take absolutely no chances if they have the slightest doubts."

In Hampshire, Chief Constable John Duke ordered patrols using the force's only unmarked vehicle to adopt a "softly-softly" approach when stopping lone female motorists.

"All our officers – especially those using the unmarked Granada – have been reminded that when approaching women they must do so with sensitivity".

In Derbyshire, Devon, Cornwall, South Wales, Strathclyde, Hampshire and the Metropolitan Police, policy will remain unchanged, though it was stressed yesterday that officers are always in uniform and carry warrant cars to verify their identity.

# Mabel the spaniel saves duchess's silver



The Duchess of Beaufort rewards her dog Mabel with a hug in the library of Badminton House, scene of yesterday's break-in (Photograph: Chris Harris).

By Craig Seton

The Duchess of Beaufort described yesterday how she routed a burglar with the help of her pet springer spaniel Mabel, which made amends for years of biting the wrong people by attacking the intruder in a darkened library at her home, Badminton House, Avon.

The duchess, aged 60, was wearing only a nightdress as she rushed downstairs to tackle the thief, with Mabel in front and Mr Stephen Mattins, aged 30, her butler, behind, after an alarm sounded in the 40-bedroom mansion near Bristol early yesterday.

"Mabel was very good. The last time we had a burglary three years ago she bit a police dog handler and she was in very bad odour. She does bite people at the wrong time, but this time I think she put things right", the duchess said.

"Mabel ran to the library barking furiously and arrived first. When I opened the door she flew at someone and he dropped a bag of valuables and ran across the lawns. She knew someone was in the room and I let her get on with it.

"There was too much noise and too much going on for me to be frightened, but I am quite glad to be still here."

However, the duchess was less enthusiastic about the performance of Lottie, Mabel's sister. It was sleeping in an upstairs bedroom when the alarm sounded at 1 am.

"Lottie was absolutely useless and went back to bed almost immediately. I went downstairs in my nightdress and the butler was there a few seconds later."

The burglar got into Badminton House, a favourite of the Royal Family, through a conservatory door and after fleeing the seventeenth-century mansion by the same route escaped over a deer fence in the extensive grounds, pursued by the butler. Police arrived within minutes of the alarm sounding.

A spokesman said yesterday: "It was very brave of the duchess to go downstairs and confront the burglar. The man clearly had a good look around and what could have been a big burglary was prevented."

Detectives later discovered that the intruder had stolen an eighteenth-century antique tea caddy in silver, containing three smaller caddies inside. Two glass jars were also missing.

They believe a holdall containing valuables which was dropped by the intruder in the library after Mabel's attack might provide clues to his identity. The Duke of Beaufort, whose family motto is "I scorn to change or to fear", was away on business at the time.

In another raid on a country house yesterday, dogs belonging to Sir Seton Wills, of Eastridge House, near Marlborough, Wiltshire, failed to prevent burglars taking silverware worth an estimated £60,000.

Sir Seton, a member of the Wills tobacco family, said: "We slept through the raid and so did our dogs. We were asleep while they ransacked the place during the night. Much of it is family heirloom. We are heartbroken. It is irreplaceable."

## Care of the mentally ill

# 'U-turn' alleged on hospitals

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

The Government has told health authorities that the closure of mental hospitals is not the main aim of its policy on providing community care for the mentally ill.

A new Department of Health circular is being interpreted by some psychiatrists as evidence of a shift in the existing policy.

Under present plans, more than 30 hospitals for the mentally ill are scheduled to close in the next six years. About 25,000 beds for the mentally ill have been closed in the past 10 years, while about 66,000 people are now treated as in-patients.

The Department of Health denied yesterday that the circular represented a change in policy, but one leading psychiatrist described it as a Government "U-turn".

The circular says the chief aim is to develop at local level a comprehensive psychiatric service in every health district, focussing the catchment areas of traditional mental illness hospitals principally on their own districts.

A consequence of this, the circular says, is to "run down and close those mental illness hospitals which are not needed as part of the developing pattern of district services". But, it adds: "The closure of hospitals is not a primary aim".

It says the developing pattern of services should make provision for the "continuing care of people with chronic mental illness" and "where necessary, improve standards in large hospitals as their populations reduce."

The services should "include enough suitable accommodation for the care of elderly mentally ill people who can no longer be cared for at home".

Professor Robert Blugrass, head of forensic psychiatry at Birmingham University, said yesterday: "Everyone in the profession has believed until now that the Government policy is to close down the hospitals and transfer the patients to community care.

"The cost of running these hospitals is enormous but it may be that the Government now recognizes that community care is not a cheap option and may even be more expensive.

To those of us who deal every day with psychiatric patients, the circular is the most significant statement we have had from the DHSS for more than 10 years. It amounts to a U-turn in policy dealing with the mentally ill and an admission that the community policy is not working."

# Courts to test child video link

By Robin Young

Children in abuse cases will be allowed to give evidence by live video link in a six-month experiment starting in January, Mr John Patten, Minister of State at the Home Office, announced yesterday.

He said that too many of the 3,400 cases brought against alleged child abusers each year had been failing because child witnesses found the ordeal of appearing in court too intimidating and failed to complete their evidence.

The experiment, confined initially to a dozen Crown Courts, would be a significant step in reducing stress on child witnesses. The video links would be used in cases involving witnesses under the age of 14, and would enable them to see and hear the face and voice of the judge or whichever counsel was speaking. Their replies would be relayed to large screens in court.

The experiment does not go as far as campaigners for reforms in the arrangements for child witnesses had hoped. Recorded video interviews will still not be admissible as evidence, and children will be questioned by lawyers from the courtroom, not interviewers sitting with them. However, Mrs Michelle Elliot, a child psychologist who runs the child abuse charity, Kidscape, said the experiemnt was a step forward.

# Support for Cleveland critic

By Jill Sherman and Ian Smith

Dr Raine Roberts, the Manchester police surgeon who described the Cleveland child abuse inquiry report as a "whitewash", was supported by her police department and by the Cleveland families' solicitor yesterday.

On Tuesday Dr Roberts, criticized in the Butler-Sloss report for siding with parents after she gave a second opinion on 39 cases of alleged abuse, accused the inquiry team of "selective and biased reporting of evidence".

In most of the cases she disputed findings of medical evidence of sexual abuse made by Dr Marietta Higgs and Dr Geoffrey Wyatt, the two paediatricians at the centre of the Cleveland controversy.

She was also highly critical of their use of reflex anal dilatation as a diagnostic technique.

Yesterday, Mr Stephen Murphy, chairman of Greater Manchester Police Authority, said: "We stand by Dr Roberts and unquestionably accept her findings. She has never given an incorrect diagnosis and that is why the chief constable, Mr James Anderton, was unwilling to lose her from his medical team."

Last month the Greater Manchester force refused to accept her resignation after publication of the Cleveland report.

Mr David Scourfield, solicitor to 12 families involved in the crisis, said that both he and the families fully supported Dr Roberts.

"The parents feel Dr Roberts is a marvellous women who deals with children very sympathetically and gently. I support her 100 per cent."

## Portfolio — PLUS NEW — Accumulator

Mr Colin Towsend's prudent checking of *The Times* Portfolio competition in his wife's absence secured her a half share in yesterday's £4,000 prize.

Mrs Mary Townsend, of Wigmore Street, London W1, said: "We're all delighted. I shall spend it on a well-earned holiday in Italy".

They share their good fortune with Mr John Deag, a retired Post Office employee, from Stone, in Staffordshire.

# BBC wins more news viewers

By Richard Evans, Media Editor

# Isaacs condemns TV policy

By Our Media Editor

Television viewers will lose in the broadcasting revolution because the Government is driven more by political objectives than service to audiences, Mr Jeremy Isaacs, the founding chief executive of Channel 4, said yesterday.

Instead of seeking to couple the opportunities offered by new media and technologies, with the advantages of Britain's existing broadcasting system, government policy was allowing "zeal for a new order to sweep the old away".

"For the first time in our history, government, instead of judging broadcasting issues by a test of cultural merit, i e their benefit to consumers, seems, at least in part, to be spurred by the urge to tackle trade unions, to extend competition and to see market forces prevail."

Mr Isaacs's criticism is contained in the 1988 annual Tawney lecture, *The Future of Television*.

Viewers' choice had not been extended in any country where unfettered market forces prevailed in broadcasting. "Indeed, as with our popular press, the range of tastes catered for narrows. Foreheads are worn villainous low."

The general director designate of the Royal Opera House says it is now crucial to come to broadcasting's aid. "Not in defence of the broadcaster's vested interest, but in the cause of the one interest in this that really matters, that of the listener and the viewer."

Having "dealt with" the BBC, the Government had made ITV its target. Mrs Thatcher wanted to "break" the power of the television unions.

## Which? faults minibuses and ice-cream

# 'Question mark' over passenger safety

By Rosemary Unsworth, Retail Affairs Correspondent

Minibuses should have seat belts for all passengers, strong anti-burst locks and seats which won't break loose on impact but will cushion a passenger in a collision, says the latest issue of *Which?*, the Consumers' Association magazine.

The magazine says there is a question mark over the safety of minibuses, which seat between nine and 16 people, and whose numbers have increased since the de-regulation of buses in 1986.

It wants a special study of minibus accidents, under consideration by the Department of Transport, to go ahead. There are safety omissions in the regulations over how the vehicles are built as they are treated separately from cars and vans on one hand, and buses and coaches on the other, the magazine says.

It is also impossible to monitor the safety record of minibuses accurately: accident information on them is lumped together with motor caravans. In 1986, the last year for which there are available figures, 1,657 people were injured in caravans and minibuses, 18 people were killed and 309 were seriously injured. One in six of the passengers killed or injured was aged 14 or less and one in ten was elderly.

● Ice-cream should have a standardized weight mark on every pack, says the association. At present ice-cream is sold by volume so you can't tell how much air has been whisked in, replacing the more expensive fat, sugar and milk solids. When *Which?* weighed eight different brands of vanilla ice-cream it found one brand that weighed 408 grams per litre and one that weighed 520g per litre, due to the extra air added to the lighter one.

● Many statements on food packaging are at best meaningless and at worst misleading, says the magazine in another article. It has surveyed people on their understanding of terms like "high in fibre" and "low calorie".

"Our survey shows that consumers are misled: people cannot confidently use simple statements about nutrients to make well-informed decisions about the food they buy."

# Verdicts on Press not all good news

By Richard Evans, Media Editor

Britain's national newspaper chiefs were preening themselves or hiding their heads in shame last night after the publication of a consumers' guide to the press which highlights their editorial strengths and weaknesses.

In some cases, newspaper executives were both delighted and disappointed by the findings produced in *Which?*, the Consumers' Association magazine. The *Financial Times*, for example, contained more editorial words and pictures than any of its rivals, and had the best financial, business and economic news – but was bottom of the class when it came to spelling. It had even more mistakes than *The Guardian*, which managed to spell its name as *The Gaurdian* in a news story.

The *FT* is, however, judged the "cleanest" read, least likely to leave ink stains on readers' hands, while the *Daily Record* is the worst.

*The Times* carried more stories on politics and sport than any of its rivals, and devoted more space to radio programmes, while *The Guardian* had the most feature pages.

Apart from covering the widest range of sports and giving generous coverage to law and order issues, *The Daily Telegraph* was top for being first with the news while *The Independent* and *The Guardian* were most often "late with the news".

But readers should not always believe that magical word "exclusive" which appears above stories, especially in tabloid newspapers, the survey warns. "Many papers might have the same story with one claiming it's exclusive."

*The Independent*, launched nearly two years ago, is noted for its coverage of round-the-world temperatures.

*The Sun*, Britain's biggest-selling daily newspaper, serves up a potent mix of celebrity tales, TV and radio stories, and prizes. For the *Daily Mirror*, the world is full of catastrophies – it carried 30 disaster stories in 10 days.


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## Lambeth Conference: pastoral matters feature inside and outside the debating hall

# Bishops vote for a bigger say on Runcie's successor

By Alan Wood

A move to widen the process of consultation that takes place before the appointment of any future Archbishop of Canterbury was approved by the Lambeth Conference at Canterbury yesterday.

The bishops recommended that before any future appointment, the Crown Appointments Commission, whose chairman is appointed by the Prime Minister, be asked to bring the primates of the Anglican communion into the consultation.

This proposal was part of a comprehensive resolution on Anglican identity and authority presented by the dogmatic and pastoral section of the conference.

The main part of the resolution requested that the new Inter-Anglican Theological and Doctrinal Commission, or a specially appointed Inter-Anglican Commission, be asked to undertake urgently a further exploration of the meaning and nature of communion with particular reference to the doctrine of the Trinity, the unity and order of the Church and the unity and community of humanity.

**The Right Rev William Persson,** Bishop suffragan of Doncaster, moving the resolution and explaining why this further exploration was needed, said their immediate and particular cause for concern was the further impairment to communion between the provinces which would follow the ordination and consecration of a woman bishop.

**Dr Robert Runcie,** Archbishop of Canterbury, said he welcomed the enhanced role the resolution envisaged for the primates' meeting. If, however, they enhanced the role of the meeting, they must expect it to affect the role and work of the Anglican Consultative Council.

The Anglican communion had always resisted the idea of a Pan-Anglican Synod. They had been wise to do so. If they were to be a communion which recognized its need for strengthening its inter-dependence, the effective way of doing it was through the Primates' Meetings. Giving an enhanced role for the Archbishop of Canterbury for creating a central synod — these were dangerous avenues.

He went on: "They are attempts to structure ourselves against other communions. We must not lose our character as a provisional communion — always seeking a wider unity than our own. We should not be ashamed that such untidiness or informality has enabled us to move into united churches whether in the Indian subcontinent or in China."

The part of the resolution referring to the appointment of the Archbishop of Canterbury failed to mention that the Secretary-General of the ACC already sat on the Crown Appointments Commission when the office of the Archbishop of Canterbury was being considered. They could require him to consult the primates. That consultation would happen in advance of the commission actually meeting.

He commented: "My own personal view is that we should keep the Archbishop of Canterbury as essentially a dioscesan bishop and not a constitutional monarch or alternative Pope".

**The Most Rev Keith Rayner,** Archbishop of Adelaide, said one new element proposed was close co-operation between the Primates' Meeting and the consultative council. This was a package in which they sought to set out the way in which the Anglican communion could maintain its cohesion.

It was vitally important for the laity to play their full part in the decision-making and consultative processes of the communion. The way for that to happen was by developing either the size or role of the council. Many did not see it as a truly representative body.

One part of the resolution that evoked controversy was its request to the Archbishop of Canterbury and all primates to appoint an advisory body on prayer books which could offer advice on liturgical revision.

**The Right Rev Colin Buchanan,** Bishop suffragan of Aston, Birmingham, moved an amendment to delete the idea and described the new body as an expensive white elephant.

**The Right Rev Frank Griswold,** Bishop of Chicago, said the amendment would destroy the point of the proposal by turning the advisory body into a post box system for mutual communication and, where possible, co-ordination.

The amendment was rejected and the resolution as a whole was carried by an overwhelming majority.





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# Text of resolution on Anglican unity

This is the text of the resolution on authority in the Anglican Communion as amended and carried by the Lambeth Conference yesterday:

This conference:

1. resolves that the new Inter-Anglican Theological and Doctrinal Commission (or a specially appointed Inter-Anglican Commission) be asked to undertake as a matter of urgency a further exploration of the meaning and nature of communion; with particular reference to the doctrine of the Trinity, the unity and order of the Church and the unity and community of humanity.

2a. Urges that encouragement be given to a developing collegial role for the Primates' Meeting under the presidency of the Archbishop of Canterbury, so that the Primates' Meeting is able to exercise an enhanced responsibility in offering guidance on doctrinal, moral and pastoral matters; and;

2b. Recommends that in the appointment of any future Archbishop of Canterbury, the Crown Appointments Commission be asked to bring the primates of the communion into the process of consultation.

3. Resolves that the Lambeth Conference as a conference of bishops of the Anglican communion should continue in future, at appropriate intervals.

4. Recommends that regional conferences of the Anglican communion should meet between Lambeth Conferences as and when the region concerned believes it to be appropriate; and in the event of these regional conferences being called, it should be open to the region concerned to make them representative of clergy and laity as well as bishops.

5. Recommends that the Anglican Consultative Council continue to fulfil the functions defined in its constitution ... in particular to continue its consultative, advisory, liaison and communication roles within the communion in close co-operation with the Primates' Meeting.

6. Requests the Archbishop of Canterbury, with all the primates of the Anglican communion, to appoint an advisory body on prayer books of the Anglican communion. The body would be entrusted with the task of offering encouragement, support and advice to churches of the communion in their work of liturgical revision as well as facilitating mutual consultation concerning, and review of, their prayer books as they are developed with a view to ensuring;

a. the public reading of the Scriptures in a language understood by the people, and instruction of the whole people of God in the scriptural faith by means of sermons and catechisms;

b. the use of the two sacraments ordained by Christ, baptism with water in the three-fold Name, and Holy Communion with bread and wine and explicit intention to obey Our Lord's command;

c. the use of forms of episcopal ordination to each of the three orders by prayer with the laying-on-of-hands;

d. the public recitation and teaching of the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds; and;

e. the use of other liturgical expressions of unity in faith and life by which the whole people of God is nurtured and upheld, with continuing awareness of ecumenical liturgical developments.

# South Africa told to leave Namibia

Anglican bishops at the conference called yesterday on South Africa to withdraw from Namibia.

The bishops hope that their resolution, passed unanimously, will influence the present peace talks in Geneva.

**Dr Robert Runcie,** the Archbishop of Canterbury, said it would be effective and significant if he conveyed its terms immediately to the US, Angolan, South African and Cuban delegations at the talks, especially as South Africa had disclosed the terms under which Namibia could regain independence by the middle of next year. He has written to Geneva conveying the full terms of the resolution.

It referred to the protracted suffering of the Namibian people at the hands of the South African regime and called on the Pretoria government to implement Security Council resolution 435. It asked the Anglican provinces of Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States to press their governments to fulfil their obligations as members of the Contact group of nations.

**The Right Rev James Thompson,** Bishop of Stepney, moving the resolution, said that Mrs Thatcher could have great influence on the Geneva talks if she and the Government decided that the freedom of Namibia was not only just but would benefit the world community, and not least the business community.

He said at a press conference: "I am suspicious of the South African Government's intentions and sincerity, because they are constantly shifting the goalposts and trying to make further conditions".

**The Right Rev James Kauluma,** Bishop of Namibia, said it was a political problem, with South Africa in Namibia illegally, and should not be used as a lever for South Africa to achieve victory on other issues.

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# Job lost over a teabag

**The dismissal of a British Rail steward for using a non-regulation tea bag was fair, a Glasgow industrial tribunal ruled yesterday.**

**A British Rail manager complained that a cup of tea he bought from the Glasgow-London train buffet car last November did not have its regulation teabag.**

**The steward, Mr Thomas Strain, of Birchwood Avenue, Mount Vernon, Glasgow, was accused of being involved in the sale of non-regulation tea and dismissed.**

**The tribunal, said British Rail suffered serious losses from staff selling non-regulation goods and had acted fairly and reasonably.**

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# 'Educational events' may replace school lessons

By Douglas Broom, Education Reporter

A radical new approach to teaching, with "educational events" replacing traditional lessons, is being studied by the Government as part of plans to reform the state school system.

The revolutionary concept was devised by the London-based international education and training body, Organisation for Rehabilitation Through Training (ORT). It is drawing up a curriculum for the 20 city technology colleges the Government plans to open by 1990.

If the idea is a success it may soon spread to state schools in England and Wales to stimulate pupils' interest in technology. ORT – a charity with an extensive network of technology training centres abroad – says its new methods have worked in Latin America and Mexico.

Children are encouraged to think creatively about technology by tackling and solving technological problems in "educational events".

In the proposed city technology college curriculum pupils would tackle two "educational events" each term involving a period of background work before going into the workshop or laboratory to make equipment or devise computerized solutions for problems. An example of the how the system might work, submitted by ORT to the Department of Education and Science, features a project on lighting involving study in a range of areas including basic electrical work, the biology of human vision and marketing.

Dr Dan Sharon, ORT's technical director, said yesterday: "The key to the whole thing is creativity". The organization's director general, Mr Joseph Harmatz said: "We recognize it is a new idea but new ideas are what the CTCs are all about".

The ORT curriculum is likely to be implemented first at the Nottingham CTC, due to open in September next year.

Mr John Ramsden, the Nottingham project director, said: "We have already been to Israel to see ORT work in action and we are hoping that with DES approval we will be able to use this here", he said.

● Empty school places are still costing the country £250 million a year while local education authorities fail to provide the country with an adequate service, the independent Audit Commission reports today.

It accuses local authorities of failing to come to grips with falling school rolls.

Mr Howard Davies, the controller of the commission, said: "At a time when educational resources are under pressure to cope with GCSE and the national curriculum, hundreds of millions of pounds are still being wasted on excess school capacity which will not be needed before the end of the century, if ever".

● The Nottingham CTC has appointed Dr Peter Bullet, the head of science at Rugby School, as head of its key faculty – science, technology and mathematics.

It also confirmed plans to introduce a four-term school year.

# Sex and social classes 'inadequate'

By David Tytler, Education Editor

Half the school courses dealing with sexual and social issues are inadequate because teachers are not properly trained, Her Majesty's School Inspectors reported yesterday.

The inspectors want extra staff training for personal and social education (PSE) courses and say parents and school governors are not being consulted enough in the preparation of the courses which must be improved if they are to be of value. In two-thirds of the schools visited no consultation had taken place with the governing bodies.

The report underlines the importance of the school helping young people to "manage relationships, make choices when faced by dilemmas, moral, political or vocational. Teachers were seldom offered guidance on how to handle sensitive or controversial aspects of courses".

Many courses would have been considerably improved had they been monitored and evaluated more throroughly.

The report criticizes head teachers for giving other courses priority. "It should be a major priority for heads to ensure that PSE courses are run effectively."

*A Survey of Personal and Social Education in some Secondary Schools* (Publications Despatch Centre, Honeypot Lane, Stanmore, Middlesex. HA7 1AZ).

# Cyclists take the high road




Two Oxford undergraduates warming up on Hampstead Heath before flying to Kashmir yesterday, from where they will attempt a 2,000 mile bicycle ride across the Himalayas for charity. Amar Inam, aged 18, who is studying zoology at St Catherine's College, and Joe McCarron, aged 19, from St Edmund's Hall, will spend two months riding their mountain bikes along the footpaths that wind between Kashmir and the borders of Sikkim. They hope, on the way, to beat the world altitude record for cycling, which stands at 20,561ft. The project is in aid of Intermediate Technology, which promotes Third World improvement projects and has Lord Hunt and Sir Ranulph Fiennes as patrons. The students' west-east traverse is in the opposite direction to that followed by the Crane brothers, who ran the length of the Himalayas for Intermediate Technology. Inam and McCarron have trained on cycling expeditions to arctic Norway. Their joint adventures have taken them on a British Schools Exploring Society expedition to the Yukon in Canada and on climbing holidays in the Alps.

(Photograph: Mark Aspland)

# Tourist total falls after 1987 record

By John Spicer and Shona Crawford Poole

More people came to Britain for their holidays last year, spending more money and creating more jobs than ever before.

However, the number of American visitors – who spend more than twice as much per visit as tourists from Europe – fell sharply earlier this year, with European visitors showing a smaller fall.

Last year Britain was still "in the red" over foreign holidays and business trips. The record of foreign trips to Britain was matched by the British, who took a record number of holidays abroad and spent a total of £7,300 million. By comparison, foreign visitors and businessmen spent £6,200 million in the UK.

Official figures released yesterday show that American visitors to Britain this May were down 13 per cent, although trade sources said the drop may have been as much as 30 per cent.

Mr John Lee, Minister for Tourism, said yesterday the figures had been expected, given the dollar exchange rate movements.

The Department of Employment's figures are based on the much criticized Incoming Passenger Survey (IPS), which shows that 6 per cent fewer visitors from western Europe arrived in May. The total number of arrivals that month was 1,210,000, a drop of 7 per cent on 1987.

Mrs Pat Hansen, chairman of the British Incoming Tour Operators' Association (BITOA), said a recent association workshop of tourist interests had calculated that the number of Americans in Britain now was at least 20 per cent down on the same time last year. "The drop may be as much as 30 per cent", she said.

However, the department and the British Tourist Authority are still forecasting a rise in total numbers of American visitors by the end of the year. Mr Lee said: "1988 should still be a good year".

The drop in visitors from Europe is blamed on the ferry strike earlier in the year.

The Society of West End Theatres denied yesterday that the drop in American visitors to London accounted for the failure of the first production at Mr Jeffrey Archer's theatre, the Playhouse, as its manager claimed on Tuesday.

"Overseas visitors make up about 37 per cent of West End theatre audiences on a year-round basis, but European visitors are an important element in that figure", the society said.

Government statistics for 1987 show that British holidaymakers and businessmen made 27,400,000 trips overseas last year, a 10 per cent increase on 1986. Spending was 19 per cent above 1986, the highest level ever.

A record 15,400,000 trips were made by overseas visitors to the UK last year, an 11 per cent increase over 1986 and 7 per cent more than the previous record year of 1985. In real terms the total increase in spending was 6 per cent.

The statistics show that to cope with the tourist boom, the number of people working in tourism-related industries grew last year by 3 per cent to 1,400,000.

On average, US tourists stayed 11 days and spent £45.90 a day, or £502.90 on each trip. By contrast, visitors from EEC countries stayed nine days and spent £27.20 a day, or £245.80 in total.

The Americans made up 18 per cent of total visitors, followed by the French (13 per cent), West Germans (11 per cent), Irish (7 per cent) and Dutch (6 per cent).

London was still the most popular place for visitors. About 40 per cent of the total number of nights spent in the UK were spent in the capital.

# Trident delayed as strike goes on

By Peter Davenport and Martin Fletcher

Britain's Trident nuclear submarine programme was further delayed yesterday when shipyard workers who have been on strike for two months rejected a formula to end the dispute over fixed summer holidays.

A solution to the increasingly bitter dispute had been worked out in two days of talks between the national negotiating committee of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions and senior management of the VSEL yard at Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria.

However, shop stewards representing the 13,000 workers turned down the agreementand said that, at a mass meeting in the town, the strikers had voted 4-1 on a show of hands against the offer. Company officials called for a secret ballot.

The strike, which began on June 8, is centred on the company's plans to reintroduce fixed summer holidays to improve productivity.

Under the agreement worked out in national talks, the fixed holiday would have been phased in over the next three years in return for extra days off and a lump sum payment of £200 for each worker. VSEL is the biggest employer in Barrow. All work on the yard's £1 billion submarine building programme, which includes the first two Trident vessels, HMS Vanguard and HMS Victoria, is at a standstill.

Trident gained fresh support on the political front yesterday when Dr David Owen's Social Democratic Party accepted that it was now the only viable replacement for Polaris. Mr John Cartwright, SDP defence spokesman, said Britain should be prepared to reduce the number of warheads it carried in response to further disarmament agreements.

Launching a policy document, *Deterrence: The Role of Britain, Europe and the Atlantic Alliance*, Mr Cartwright called for a fundamental review of Britain's other defence commitments in consultation with its European Nato allies.

Britain should not be afraid of reducing some of its defence roles to concentrate on those that it was agreed it could perform best, Mr Cartwright said. He suggested this could, for example, involve an enhanced naval role and a reduced British Army on the Rhine. "We cannot go on assuming that each country can do everything", he said.


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## Angola and Cuba condemn Botha disclosures as South Africans defy call-up

# Geneva delegations take exception to Pretoria's tactics

From Michael Horsby in Johannesburg and Alan McGregor in Geneva

The South African Foreign Minister, Mr R. F. "Pik" Botha, yesterday claimed to have received no indication that Pretoria's proposals for a peace settlement in Angola and Namibia had been rejected, despite a Cuban denunciation of the proposals as preposterous and unrealistic.

He said that Mr Neil van Heerden, leader of the South African delegation to the American-mediated talks with Angola and Cuba in Geneva, had told him that discussions were continuing.

Mr Botha announced the proposals in Pretoria on Tuesday night at a press conference to which only a few journalists were invited.

The Angolan and Cuban delegations in Geneva accused South Africa of breaking the confidentiality that had been observed — by agreement — at the previous rounds in London, Cairo and New York.

Their objections appeared to be shared by the American chairman and mediator, Dr Chester Crocker, the US Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs. Asked whether he regarded the disclosure as damaging to the negotiations, Dr Crocker said: "I wouldn't comment on that. We certainly are going to stick to the ground rules rather than talking in public, and we would urge all parties to do so."

In Pretoria on Tuesday Mr Botha said he wanted to go on the record to correct misleading "leaks" in Geneva about the South African position.

No one in Geneva, however, was aware of any such "leaks". Observers in South Africa saw Mr Botha's move as intended either to sabotage the negotiations by setting publicly preconditions which the Cubans or Angolans would be unlikely to accept, or to hustle the other side into an agreement on terms favourable to Pretoria.

Mr Botha has gone further than ever before in proposing that UN Resolution 435, which provides for Namibia's transition to independence over seven months, should come into effect from November 1, that there should be an immediate ceasefire in Namibia and Angola, and that South African troops should be withdrawn from Angola by September 1.



Señor Hildalgo Alcibialde: Spokesman for the Cubans.

But he also wants all of the estimated 50,000 Cuban troops in Angola to be withdrawn by June 1 next year, when elections to choose an independent government for Namibia would be held. An extra condition, made explicit for the first time, was the closure by the same date of seven ANC guerrilla training camps in Angola.

These are conditions which the Angolans and Cubans have so far rejected. Mr Botha was distinctly evasive in response to questions about the future role of Unita, the Angolan rebels who receive weapons from South Africa and America and are supported by South African troops.

Mr Botha's proposals were attacked by South Africa's far-right Conservative Party as "nothing more than a dishonourable capitulation" which would lead inexorably to black majority rule in Namibia and South Africa.

In Geneva Mr Venancio de Moura, the Angolan Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, said the public disclosure was obviously a tactic "showing South Africa's bad faith and lack of seriousness".

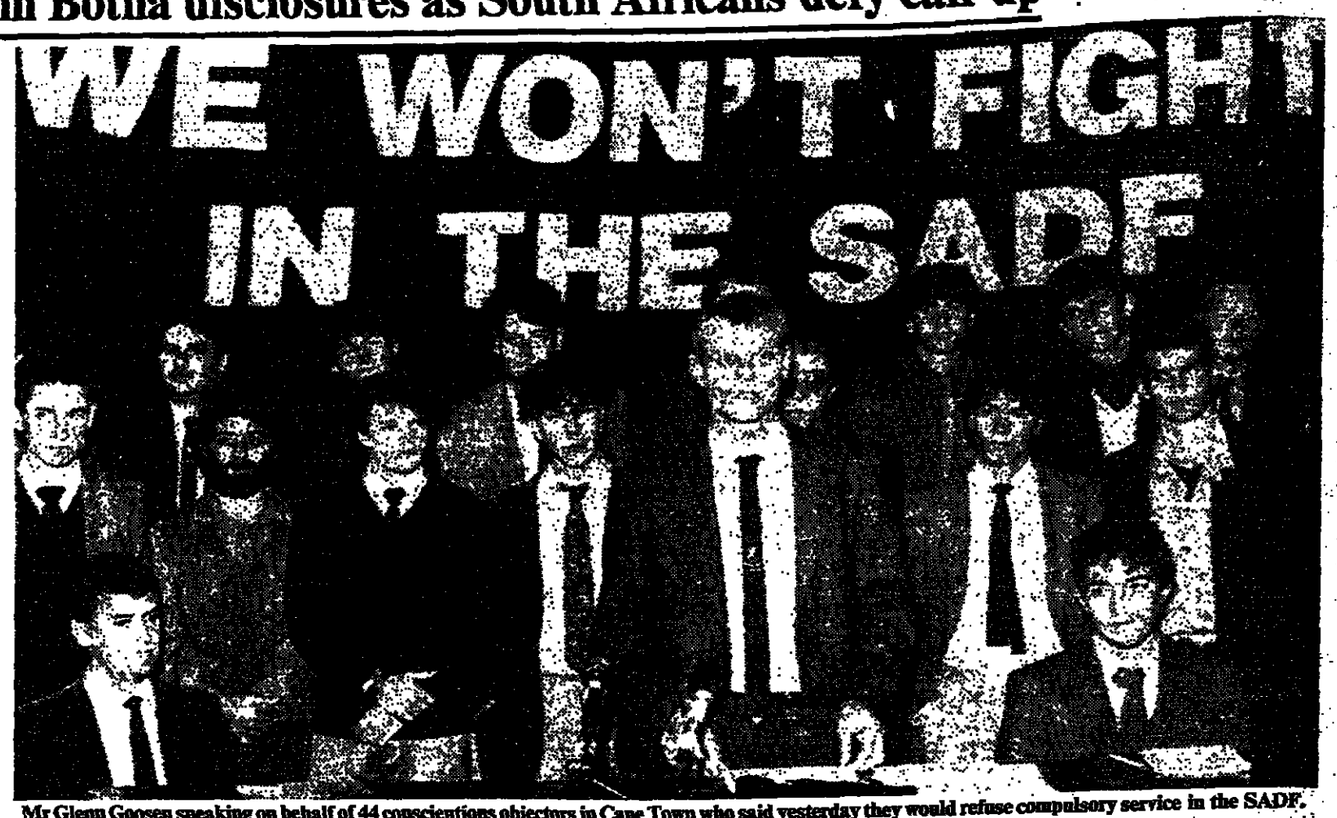
Conditions for implementing the UN resolution must, he said, include withdrawal of South African troops from Angola and the cessation of the assistance given to the Unita guerrillas.

The Cuban delegation emphasized that Pretoria could not present cessation of Angola's aid to the ANC as a precondition for Namibian independence — nor could it expect Angola to restrict the activities of the South West Africa People's Organization.

The Angolan and Cuban representatives said that the negotiations "to achieve a just and lasting peace for South West Africa" would continue.

They said their own proposals on dates for the various measures necessary for ending hostilities would be tabled "but, out of respect for the negotiating process" not proclaimed publicly now.

The session, which began on Tuesday, was scheduled to last three days but may be extended through tomorrow. The negotiators are trying to translate into detailed treaty provisions the 14 principles for a peaceful settlement agreed when they met last month in New York.




Mr Glenn Goosen speaking on behalf of 44 conscientious objectors in Cape Town who said yesterday they would refuse compulsory service in the SADF.

# Young whites vow mass draft defiance

From Our Own Correspondent
Johannesburg

In the biggest public mass defiance of military conscription South Africa has seen, 143 young whites yesterday risked prosecution and prison sentences by announcing that they were not prepared to serve in the South African Defence Force.

About 60 of the draft refusers called a press conference at the University of the Witwatersrand here to make their decision known. They said that they had been inspired by the "brave stand" of David Bruce, aged 25, a graduate who last month became the first white to be sentenced to six years' jail for conscientious objection.

It has long been suspected that the scale of draft evasion among young whites is much more serious than the authorities are prepared to admit, but it has been difficult to gauge its extent because those involved have been fearful of disclosing their intentions.

The press conference here was one of about half a dozen throughout the country. The precise venues were kept secret until the last minute to minimize the risk of intervention by security police.

Mr Wilhelm Liebenberg, aged 35, a lecturer in Afrikaans and Dutch, told the meeting here that 105 of the 143 young men who had signed a "joint statement of conscience" proclaiming their refusal to serve had done no military service and so were liable to the maximum six years' imprisonment unless they chose to go into exile.

In an emergency, the authorities can call on about 317,000 white reservists in addition to the estimated 106,400 men of the South African Defence Force. Only about 42,000 SADF members are career soldiers; the rest are young white conscripts doing national service. This heavy reliance on conscripts and reservists helps to explain why the military authorities treat draft evasion as a serious offence.

The 143 draft resisters said: "We believe that the SADF helps to uphold the system of apartheid. We are particularly concerned about its presence in Angola, its occupation of Namibia, its ongoing destabilization of frontline states, and its role in South Africa's black townships. We do not see serving in the SADF as a way of contributing to peace in our country.

"We make this decision in the realization that there are hundreds of other South Africans who have decided not to serve in the SADF. Our country is being drained of the skills and resources of many of these people because it does not provide for adequate alternatives to military service."

It is possible to ask to be assigned to a non-combatant position in the SADF, or to apply to be allowed to do "alternative service", usually low-paid welfare work for six years — half as long again as compulsory military service. But this option is open only to those who object to service on narrowly-defined religious grounds.

Nearly all of the 143 draft resisters are undergraduates or graduates, aged between 18 and 35. They are predominantly English-speaking, but include a fair number of young Afrikaners.

A turning point for many young whites came in 1984, when the SADF began to be used on a large scale to quell unrest in black townships. Mr Stephen Louw, aged 22, said in recalling his own service: "The most frightening thing was the total lack of respect shown by the SADF for the civilian population in the townships."

He did his basic service in 1984 and 1985, mainly in Eastern Cape townships, the scene of widespread unrest at that time. Mr Louw added: "On one occasion I was forced to drive an armoured vehicle into a crowd of blacks leaving a church, in order to provoke them into throwing stones."

A recent survey at Rhodes University, Grahamstown, in the Eastern Cape, found that 28 per cent of students were considering emigration to avoid conscription, and that another 28 per cent cited conscription as one reason for thinking of going abroad.

## WORLD ROUNDUP

### US crew blamed in Airbus tragedy

Washington — The shooting-down last month of an Iranair Airbus with the loss of 290 lives resulted from crew error arising from the stress of being in combat for the first time, a US military inquiry has found (Christopher Thomas writes).

The inquiry report, by Rear Admiral William Fogarty, has not been released but was leaked widely yesterday. It is understood to confirm that no malfunction was found in the radar technology on the Vincennes, the US Navy ship which shot down the aircraft, but that in the stress of battle radar operators convinced themselves that it planned to attack.

They misinterpreted what they saw on screen, and the misinterpretations were passed on to Captain Will Rogers, leading him to conclude that his ship was in imminent danger. A Congressional sub-committee began hearings yesterday into compensation for passengrs' relations.

### US airbase to close

Athens — Greece announced yesterday that it has decided to close down the United States Air Force base at Hellenikon, the international airport of Athens, and by far the most conspicuous of the four principal American military installations in this country (Mario Modiano writes).

The move comes at a time of increasing strains in US-Greek relations over the bases issue. Greece last month served formal notice that the current bases agreement would be terminated in December. It is, however, negotiating a new defence agreement, prolonging the US military presence on condition that the terms would "serve the paramount national interests of Greece". But the Government certainly wants to close the Hellenikon base, which it has described as a "political eyesore", even if a new agreement is reached.

### Reagan defence veto

Washington — President Reagan vetoed a $299.5 billion (£175.4 billion) defence authorization Bill yesterday, saying it would weaken the US militarily and would place in jeopardy the country's diplomatic and strategic advances (Mohsin Ali writes).

"It would endanger progress in arms negotiations by giving away our negotiating leverage without getting a single thing in return from the Soviets," he said, adding that the Bill would threaten his Strategic Defence Initiative. A two-thirds vote of the House of Representatives and the Senate can override the veto. The Bill was passed by a margin of more than two-thirds in the Senate, but not in the lower chamber. Democrats claimed that the action was intended to benefit Vice-President George Bush's election campaign.

### Hostage MP killed

Nairobi — A member of the Ugandan Government was killed and another wounded when government troops stormed a rebel camp in the north-east of the country, where the two had been held for eight months since arriving for secret peace talks (Andrew Buckoke writes).

According to reports reaching here yesterday, Mr Robert Ekinu, the Deputy Minister of Transport, was killed and Mr Stanley Okurut, the Minister of Labour, was wounded when the soldiers overran the camp on Tuesday near the north-eastern town of Soroti. Rebels of the Uganda People's Army kidnapped the two in December, with another deputy minister, Mr Aporu Okol, who escaped.

### Solzhenitsyn hailed

Moscow (Reuter) — A Moscow weekly yesterday hailed Alexander Solzhenitsyn, sent into exile in 1974, as author of one of the great classics of Russian literature. *Moscow News* said that Solzhenitsyn's *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich*, a novella on labour camp life under Stalin published in 1962, was "an outstanding event in (Soviet) literary, moral and spiritual life".

But the literary critic, Lev Voskresensky, in a full-page article on the 66-page work, said that it was too early to judge Solzhenitsyn's overall work or his views. "I can affirm one thing that I believe the past 25 years has proved — *One Day* is among the greatest landmark achievements in our country's literature," he wrote.

# Thatcher pledges Australia fresh ties with Britain

From Robin Oakley, Melbourne

The Prime Minister yesterday renewed her pledge to fight protectionism in all its guises and promised Australia a new partnership with Britain.

She has not only invited to London next year the Australian Prime Minister, Mr Bob Hawke, but has asked him to bring with him a group of senior ministers to meet their counterparts and cement a new working relationship.

In speeches in Canberra and Melbourne, Mrs Thatcher emphasized her belief that while Britain's economic future lies with Europe and that its closest ally is America, there remains a tie of friendship with Australia which is closer than either of those relationships.

Calling for a stronger relationship with Australia, she said: "We want to step up our contacts at every level ... let's do it as two strong, proud, independent, successful nations, each with its own specific contribution to make."

Mrs Thatcher promised the Australians that she would not allow the launch of the Single European Market in 1992 to become the occasion for setting greater barriers against countries outside the EEC.

And she spelt out the deal Britain hopes for in return, saying: "Britain can provide a springboard for Australia into that market, and we hope that our trade and investment with you will help us to do better in the great markets of the Pacific."

The Prime Minister, the first guest in Australia's new Parliament building in Canberra, took part in the first meetings in the Prime Minister's new office and the Cabinet room, and met Mr Hawke for 45 minutes.

Mrs Thatcher suggested that Britain would consider renegotiating the payment of pensions to 117,000 British pensioners living in Australia.

Under present policy Britain does not adjust these pensions for inflation, and the Australian Government has claimed that it is costing $Aus100 million (about £46 million) a year to top up the British pension payments.

She said it was possible there could be a new reciprocal agreement.

Mrs Thatcher steered clear of any endorsement of Mr Malcolm Fraser, the former Australian Prime Minister, as a candidate to succeed Mr Shridath Ramphal as Commonwealth Secretary-General.

Mr Hawke, who is pressing for Mr Fraser to be appointed, had sought her endorsement.

Mrs Thatcher, who may have reservations about Mr Fraser's views on sanctions, said yesterday that the British Government would make no decision on which candidate to support until the full field was known.

At a luncheon in the brand-new Parliament building, Mr Hawke referred continually to the Prime Minister as "Margaret".

He responded warmly to her overtures and to her admission that Britain had somewhat neglected the relationship with Australia in recent years.

Mr Hawke described Mrs Thatcher's visit as a very welcome mark of the continuing importance of the relationship at the highest level of government which was fully reciprocated in Canberra.

"Our ties are more than sentimental," he said.

"They reaffirm the basis not only of our shared past but also of our shared future. Economic relations must play a vital part in that future."

## Aftermath of Iran's peace moves

# Hezbollah hints ordeal of British hostages may be nearing an end

From Robert Fisk, west Beirut

The hostage rumour mill is back at work in west Beirut now that the Iranians have sued for peace in the Gulf War. Lebanese newspapers are variously predicting the imminent release of an American hostage or of two British captives, together with a West German who was kidnapped in January last year.

Anonymous "sources" are invariably quoted for this information, but the reports all share one authentic element: increasing hints from within the pro-Iranian Hezbollah (Party of God) movement, which holds most of the hostages, that the ordeal of their Western prisoners may soon be over.

Although Sheikh Muhammad Fadlallah, one of Hezbollah's spiritual leaders, says that he refused to meet the Anglican Bishop of Cyprus during his visit to Lebanon, he is repeating — almost daily — his hopes for the hostages' release.

The sheikh may well be preparing the ground among Beirut's Shia Muslims for just such an event, and it is significant that he is also urging the Americans to release the frozen Iranian assets which Hojatoleslam Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, the Iranian military leader, has been demanding.

Amid widespread belief in west Beirut that the Americans have been holding further secret talks with Iranian officials, this time involving the Algerians, there has come, too, a report that Iranian Revolutionary Guards in the Bekaa Valley of eastern Lebanon, who arrived there before the 1982 Israeli invasion, are preparing to go home.

The Kuwaiti newspaper *al-Ittihad*, which to be fair has never been known for its depth or its accuracy, has carried a short but detailed report to this effect, noting that Iranian Revolutionary Guards at Baalbek may already have closed down part of their headquarters.

It was the Beirut paper *al-Anwar* which said yesterday that two Britons and a German may be freed "in a short while". Although it did not identify the three, they are presumably Mr Terry Waite, the Archbishop of Canterbury's missing envoy, John McCarthy, the British cameraman abducted in 1986, and Herr Rudolf Cordes, who was kidnapped last year.

The paper, this time quoting a private "newsletter", suggested that the two Hamadei brothers, both of whom are imprisoned in Germany and one of whom is on trial for hijacking the TWA airliner to Beirut in 1985, would be freed in return for Herr Cordes.

In Beirut, Hezbollah members are again mounting checkpoints within the southern suburbs of the city, usually within sight of Syrian military positions.

The purpose of such activities is not clear, though it may merely be an attempt to prove that they still have some quasi-legitimate authority in the region which they controlled until the Syrian Army entered the suburbs in June.

# UN presses Iraq to soften demands

From Charles Bremner, New York

Frustrated diplomats struggled yesterday to persuade Iraq to soften demands that have blocked talks in New York on a Gulf War ceasefire, while officials grew increasingly doubtful about Baghdad's willingness to end the eight-year conflict with Iran.

One senior envoy commented that "if the Iraqis really do want to continue the war and get the best advantage they can, then there's nothing the UN can do about it".

Mr Tariq Aziz, the Iraqi Foreign Minister, meanwhile sat aloof in his country's Manhattan mission for a fifth day. Diplomats revealed yesterday that he refused on Friday to accept from Señor Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, the UN Secretary-General, a copy of his plan for arranging a ceasefire. Señor Pérez de Cuéllar has in effect snubbed the Iraqi minister since then, while continuing intensive talks with Dr Ali Akbar Velayati, the Iranian Foreign Minister, and with ambassadors of the major powers on the Security Council.

The Secretary-General has said that he will draw up plans for an observer force and troop withdrawals after receiving a report today or tomorrow from a military team which returned from the Gulf yesterday. A ceasefire date would however be meaningless without Baghdad's agreement to stop fighting.

Iraq is insisting on full "face-to-face" peace talks before it will agree to set the date for a halt to hostilities. Baghdad is accusing Iran of simply trying to buy a temporary respite after a series of defeats at the hands of Iraqi troops.

Iran, in an extraordinary reversal of its long disdain for the UN, says it is eager to comply with Security Council Resolution 598, which called a year ago for a ceasefire, and has dropped its earlier insistence on the prior appointment of a panel to attribute blame for the war.

The New York discussions erupted into public bickering on Tuesday, when a senior Iraqi official issued an angry statement warning Señor Pérez de Cuéllar that "Iraq shall never" accept a ceasefire without Iran's prior commitment to a comprehensive peace settlement.

Señor Pérez de Cuéllar and the Security Council are now trying to devise a compromise that would involve no loss of face for Iraq. His latest plan would provide for opening direct talks, as demanded by Baghdad, when a truce takes effect or immediately after. If the New York peace effort breaks down no ceasefire could be enforced.

● **Fighting continues:** The fading prospects in New York were reflected by fresh fighting yesterday after a lull earlier in the week (Andrew McEwen writes). Iran reported that Iraqi air raids damaged "industrial-labour units" in the southern province of Bushehr and on similar sites in Khuzestan province. Irna, the Iranian official news agency, said that one of the Iraqi jets was shot down.

# No love lost as Interpol digs into Aphrodite's abode



J. Paul Getty: Founder of the controversial museum.

From Ivor Davis
Los Angeles

The world's richest museum, the J. Paul Getty, is this week locked in controversy as Interpol and the Los Angeles police investigate its acquisition of a rare 2,400-year-old statue which some believe may have been smuggled out of Sicily illegally in the mid-1970s.

The museum, in Malibu, triumphantly revealed its latest gain — a representation of Aphrodite, the Greek goddess of love — only last week. But now the statue is the focus of an international inquiry which apparently centres on growing rumours of grave-robbing in the region where the work is said to have originated.

The limestone and marble statue, believed to date from 420 BC, was unknown in art circles before the museum's announcement on Thursday. Now Getty officials, citing museum policy, are refusing to discuss where they bought the statue or how much they paid for it.

The museum director, Mr John Walsh, insists that all the government documentation procedures have been followed scrupulously and said that the purchase was made public only after written confirmation was received from Italy that there were no pending claims of theft against the piece.

But Interpol has this week asked the Los Angeles police to investigate further to determine how the statue came into the Getty's posssesion.

Detective William Martin, of the Los Angeles art fraud squad, said: "We are making an inquiry on behalf of Interpol." He confirmed plans to visit the museum to talk to Mr Walsh.

Major Luigi Bacceli, commander of the *carabinieri* unit reponsible for looking after Italy's art treasures, told *The Los Angeles Times*: "It is too early to know whether the statue came from Italy.

"I'm looking for people who knew that the statue was in Sicily. It probably comes from there, but no one can say for certain."

Fears that the statue might have been smuggled out of Italy and offered on the open art market were raised by Dr Graziella Fiorentini, the Italian Government's director of antiquities in Agrigento, Sicily.

The statue could have come from Morgantina, a site in eastern Sicily that has been excavated by American and Italian archaeologists since its discovery in 1955 by a team from Princeton.

The site is located in Sicily's Enna province. Artefacts spanning the centuries from ancient Greece to the late Roman Empire have been recovered at Morgantina.

Officials say that it was Professor Malcolm Bell, an archaeologist from the University of Virginia who is excavation director at Morgantina, who first alerted Italian officials to the acquisition by the Getty. He told *The Los Angeles Times*: "I think the Getty tried to find out if the statue was stolen."

Professor Bell described the work as magnificent. He added: "Stylistically, it is Greek-Italian, characteristic of southern Italy in the fifth century (BC). It belongs in Italy."

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# Shultz hints at US aid for Alfonsín's debt crisis reforms

From Michael Llanos, Buenos Aires

The US Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, who is in Argentina for talks on the economy and other issues, has hinted that Washington will help the country to cope with its severe debt crisis by providing a new loan.

His hint followed the unveiling by President Alfonsín's Government of an austerity program intended to curb inflation which is running at more than 20 per cent a month, through public sector spending cuts.

Key measures in the Government's reform programme are wage-price controls, a two-tiered exchange rate discriminating against foreign exports, a 10 per cent currency devaluation and state cuts in personnel and fringe benefits.

But yesterday Argentina's financial media and businessmen criticized the package as "improvised", pointing to the lack of co-ordination among government officials and the announcement of a three-day bank holiday before details had been completed.

Argentina has been negotiating a bridging loan of $500 million (about £295 million) with Washington that would help Buenos Aires pay service charges on its $55 billion foreign debt, according to banking sources. A US official told journalists that Mr Shultz said in an interview recorded for US television it appeared that the negotiations were going well.

The official said: "He will be saying that he believed that there had been good discussions between the Argentines and our Treasury and Federal Reserve and that he thought that those discussions would be productive and fruitful."

US officials travelling with Mr Shultz said that the strain on Argentina as it struggled to service its debts was severe and worrying. During his visit he has offered at several points to help Argentina with its economic problems in any way he could.

The Secretary of State, on a nine-nation Latin American tour, met President Alfonsín, the Foreign Minister, Señor Dante Caputo, the Economic Minister, Señor Juan Sourrouille, and senior officials to discuss economics, drug interdiction and other issues.

He praised Argentina repeatedly for its return to democracy after years of military rule following the 1982 Falklands war, describing the country as a stirring example to the world.

Urging economic reform, Mr Shultz said: "Nothing consolidates politcal freedom as much as economic well-being, which needs, in turn, strong macroeconomic policies and long-term structural reform."



*Señor Alfonsín: Seeking a £295 million bridging loan.*

Mr Shultz also upheld the importance of keeping international financial channels open to foreign debtors such as Argentina.

The Government has so far asked business groups to agree to monthly price increases of 4 per cent, offering in exchange easier access to capital imports and cuts in state spending.

Officials said that the package would reduce the deficit by $2.1 billion, or 2.5 per cent of gross domestic product. The Government had earlier promised the International Monetary Fund that it would reduce the deficit from 7 per cent of GDP last year to 3.9 per cent in 1988.

The Government this week redoubled efforts to negotiate a $1.2 billion IMF standby loan for 1988, but the IMF is not expected to deliver funds for at least a month — hence the need for a bridging loan from the US.

The freeze on prices and salaries came after these were increased by 30 per cent and 25 per cent respectively. Private analysts said that the increases, which include fuel and transport prices, could push August inflation close to 30 per cent — the highest level since the hyper-inflation of April 1976. Meat prices rose by 20 per cent in the first two days of August alone.

The July cost of living is expected to top 24 per cent, the highest level since the Plan Austral of June 1985.

The new measures hold none of the initial promise of the Plan Austral and instead resemble policies announced in October, which achieved little.

The package was welcomed by the Governor of Córdoba province, Señor Eduardo Angeloz, who, as the presidential candidate of the ruling Radical Party in next year's election, is the man who has the most to win or lose from the policy.

But business groups complained that they were not consulted about the package and were going along with the Government only grudgingly. Moreover, Peronist politicians and unionists were downright hostile and even some senior Radicals expressed doubt.

Señor Jesus Rodriguéz, a left-wing Radical deputy, welcomed measures aimed at creating economic stability but added: "I only hope that it's not just an electoral ploy."

Señor Guido Di Tella, a Peronist economist, said the Plan Austral had held promise, "but today the economic team is discredited. The package is neither coherent or complete."

Señor Carlos Lacerca, a former Industry Secretary in the Alfonsín administration, gave a warning that "the conditions are not the same as those when the Plan Austral was launched."

# Sikhs salute Delhi appeal decision



Members of the family of Mr Balbir Singh raising their hands in victory after he was set free by the Supreme Court in Delhi.

# Court frees Gandhi 'assassin'

**Delhi (AP)** — Death sentences on two Sikhs convicted of the assassination in October 1984 of Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister, were upheld by India's Supreme Court yesterday, but a third conviction was overturned.

The three judges rejected appeals by PC Satwant Singh, who was convicted of the killing, and by Kehar Singh, a government official found guilty of conspiracy, after a six-month review of the case.

The conviction of police *sub-inspector Balbir Singh*, who was charged with conspiracy in the assassination, was reversed for lack of evidence.

Justice G.L. Oza, the senior judge on the panel, said in his 75-page ruling: "So far as this accused is concerned, there is no evidence at all on the basis of which his conviction could be justified. He is therefore entitled to be acquitted."

Mrs Gandhi was assassinated at her home by two of her Sikh bodyguards, Satwant Singh and Beant Singh, apparently in revenge for an army raid she had ordered four months before to put down the Sikh revolt in Punjab.

Beant Singh was killed and Satwant Singh injured in a gun battle with other security men minutes after the killing.

Kehar Singh, an uncle of Beant Singh, was arrested on November 30, 1984, and Mr Balbir Singh, who was posted on guard duty at the Prime Minister's residence, was held three days later.

The judges announced their decision to a packed courtroom ringed by policemen with automatic rifles. Security measures aimed at deterring attacks by Sikh guerrillas included frisking court spectators and checks with a metal detector.

The three defendants, who are held in Delhi central jail, were not present for the ruling. Under Indian law, defendants are brought to their trials but are represented by counsel during appeals.

Mr Swaran Singh, the brother of Mr Balbir Singh, said of the decision: "I am very pleased with the judgement. They caught an innocent man, but now justice has been done."

A court sentenced the three to death by hanging in January 1986. The sentences were upheld by the High Court in Delhi the following December, and the appeals began in the Supreme Court in February this year.

**Delhi — Samajvadi Janata Dal, the new Indian opposition party, has been criticized by Mr Chandra Shekhar, the former Janata president, and Mr H.N. Bhaguna, the leader of Lok Dal, for having named its office bearers while still discussing a merger with the Janata, Lok Dal, Congress (S) and Jan Morcha parties.**

On the question of sentence, Justice Oza said: "The manner in which she (Mrs Gandhi) was mercilessly attacked ... repels any consideration of reduction of sentence.

"In this view of the matter, even the conspirator who inspired the persons who actually acted does not deserve any leniency in the matter of sentence."

The Indian Supreme Court is the final court of appeal, but the two condemned men are entitled to seek a review by the same judges and to file a petition for mercy to President Venkataraman.

The authorities called Mrs Gandhi's murder an act of revenge for her ordering a raid in June 1984 on the Golden Temple in Amritsar, the Sikh *religion's holiest shrine. More* than 1,200 people, most of them Sikhs, died in the action, which was aimed at countering separatist Sikh militants using the temple as a base.

Radical members of the Sikh community have been agitating for an independent Sikh state since 1982, claiming discrimination by the majority Hindus.

Mrs Gandhi's son, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, who succeeded her as Prime Minister, still faces a persistent Sikh revolt in Punjab.

# Brazil's foreign firms in $2m call

From Mac Margolis
Rio de Janeiro

Multinational corporations, accustomed to keeping a low profile, have cast aside their modesty and launched an aggressive, eleventh-hour campaign to strike from Brazil's Constitution, now nearing completion in the Constituent Assembly, what they call "anti-foreign" clauses.

Executives from 16 foreign companies have prepared a $2 million (£1.2 million) publicity campaign to sing the praises of foreign capital and to explain its contribution to national development.

Some businessmen are lobbying delegates to the assembly, calling on government ministers and even taking their plea directly to President Sarney.

Mr William Jackson, president of Esso Brasileira, a subsidiary of the US Exxon Corporation, said: "Multinationals are getting together for the first time and speaking out as a group. Part of the problem we faced has been a lack of co-ordinated effort."

But in a country only now emerging from a lengthy authoritarian rule, high-powered political lobbies are still viewed with suspicion.

"Before, under the military, this was a lot easier," Mr Jackson said. "You sent your colonel to speak to their colonel, and the matter was usually resolved. Now, there are 559 legislators. Power is more dispersed."

In the next few weeks, the 559 delegates will vote on the Constitution. No amendments may be presented but Articles may be struck out.

Foreign companies are worried about key paragraphs that they claim would restrict or bar foreign capital from several areas. They would like to excise Articles which ban risk contracts for oil exploration, tighten rules for joint ventures, nationalize mineral rights and grant local companies preference in supplying the Government.

The minerals Article would force mining companies, such as British Petroleum, to give control of their operations to a Brazilian firm.

# Eleven die as rain hits north of Spain

**Infiesto, Spain (Reuter)** — Four people died in a train accident and seven others were killed in car crashes as heavy rain hit northern Spain.

Rescuers recovered four bodies from the wreckage of a local train derailed after running into a landslide near Infiesto, 25 miles east of Oviedo. Another 13 passengers, including a foreign woman, were hurt, some of them seriously.

Five people died when a car hit a motorway bridge near San Sebastián and two others were killed near Lasarte.

## Revised toll

**Vienna (AP)** — The Bulgarian party newspaper said that at least 23 people on board a YAK40 aircraft, and not 37 as previously stated, were killed after it crashed on take-off into a river bed near Sofia airport. It had been due to fly to the Black Sea coast.

## Tamils ejected

**Delhi (Reuter)** — India repatriated 20,001 Tamil refugees out of a total of 134,043 who fled from Sri Lanka after ethnic riots in 1983, Mr Natwar Singh, the Indian Minister of State for External Affairs, told Parliament.

## Tragic match

**Islamabad (Reuter)** — A Pakistani wedding in Quetta ended in tragedy when a guest lost control of the rifle he was firing into the air in celebration and killed four guests.

## Fatal flights

**Ascoli Piceno, Italy (AP)** — A West German and an Italian were killed when they collided while hang-gliding over the Apennine area of Forca di Presta in central Italy.

## Sole party

**Niamey, Niger (AP)** — President Saibou of Niger announced the creation of a new ruling party which will be the only legal political organization in the West African state.

## Rail death

**Brussels (Reuter)** — A man aged 82 fled a blaze at his home in Aalst, wandered on to a railway line near by, and was killed by a train.

## Crewmen safe

**Sydney** — Six Filipino crewmen were picked up off Western Australia four weeks after their ship, the Singasi, disappeared without trace.

### Crackdown in Burma

# Students march for democracy after new leader silences critics

From Neil Kelly in Bangkok and Anatol Lieven in London

The declaration of martial law in Burma is U Sein Lwin's swift and ruthless response to the public attacks on him as Burma's new leader. Students marched through the streets of Rangoon yesterday, shouting demands for democracy.

On Monday about 500 students and some Buddhist monks are reported to have demonstrated at the Shwedagon pagoda in Rangoon, Burma's holiest shrine. Anti-government groups led by students have called for nationwide strikes — with what success is not yet clear.

U Sein Lwin's action comes after the announcement on Monday of the arrest of 11 *critics of the Government*, including retired General Aung Gyi, who wrote public letters to the former leader, General Ne Win, criticizing his government's record. The Associated Press correspondent in Rangoon, U Sein Win, was also arrested. Amnesty International says that the true figure for those arrested may be 25.

Rangoon-based diplomats visiting Thailand say that the dissidents' call for a strike has been made in leaflets circulating in Rangoon and other parts of the country.

The strike will test the dissidents' strength and determination, which appears to have grown during the worsening unrest and economic problems. The students are in the forefront of the protests, but they have growing support from many Burmese.

The main target is U Sein Lwin, whose responsibility for brutal police activities has made him the most hated *politician in Burma. The leaf*lets refer to him as "the butcher of Rangoon" and say



U Sein Lwin: Trying to crush student-led national strike.

that the world blames him, as the man in charge of the riot police, for the massacre of more than 200 people in riots earlier this year.

The leaflets also call for a return to democracy and a multi-party political system, suggested by General Ne Win in his resignation speech on July 23 but rejected by U Sein Lwin and party delegates. The 2.5 million members of the Socialist Programme Party had no intention of surrendering their monopoly of privilege and power, they say.

*Dissidents in Rangoon*, Mandalay and Moulmein have sent representatives to ethnic rebel groups on the Thai border who are fighting for autonomy. They are asking the rebels to initiate military action against the Burmese Army to coincide with civilian demonstrations.

Rebel officials refused to say how they will respond to the request; nor is it clear how the majority Burman population as a whole will react.

On Tuesday, a Thai border patrol officer said that heavy fighting had been continuing since last week near the border in the coastal strip extending south of Moulmein. He said that insurgents from the Mon and Karen ethnic groups have been attacking government positions.

Although the Government has driven the rebels out of the *interior to the edges of Burma*, it has little control over the border. Most of the trade coming across the borders is illicit but vital for the Burmese people, in view of the extreme and growing shortage of essential goods.

U Sein Lwin has promised reforms to liberalize the economy and to improve the living standards of the deprived people. On Tuesday, in a speech to a special meeting of officials and judges, he called for a clean-up of the judicial system, and told judges that *they must act independently* in the administration of justice. Burmese dissidents have described this as a joke, in view of what they see as U Sein Lwin's personal record of repression.

U Sein Lwin also called for a purge of corrupt and incompetent officials and the closing of inefficient state factories. He appeared, however, to be taking the line that there is nothing wrong with the "Burmese Socialist" system as a whole, only with individuals.

In view of this, and of the chronic economic incompetence shown by the Burmese administration in the past, Western analysis are not hopeful that Burma's desperate economic situation can be improved.

Diplomats in Rangoon also say that it would be hard to find anyone who believes that *anything will change for the* better. Even if the will were there, they said that Burma does not possess enough competent people to implement the reforms. All the talented people have gone to the United States, Thailand, Australia and Britain.

# Harare pledges forces to defend Limpopo rail link

From Jan Raath, Harare

Zimbabwe has agreed to provide a second military corridor in Mozambique, to protect from guerrilla attack its most important route to the sea. Reopening the rail link, to Maputo, will free the land-locked frontline state from dependence on South African ports.

Defence experts estimate that about 10,000 men will be needed to defend the 331-mile Limpopo corridor to the Mozambique capital against rebels of the Mozambique National Resistance (MNR).

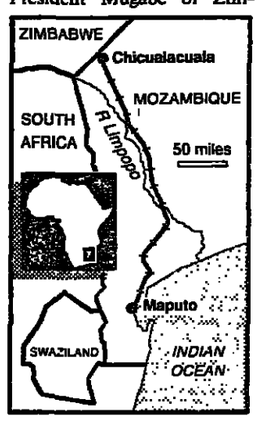
Zimbabwe already deploys a similar number along the 195-mile Beira corridor, linking eastern Zimbabwe to the port of Beira.

The reopening of the Limpopo route is a key to the economy of region, providing a cheap, swift route to the sea *and enabling the frontline* states to avoid the vulnerability of having to ship goods through a hostile South Africa. Transport experts say that the line could easily handle all the traffic of Zimbabwe, Zambia, Botswana and Malawi.

The Limpopo line, running for 331 miles from the south-eastern border railhead of Chicualacuala through an almost uninterrupted stretch of flat, guerrilla-dominated bush *to the southern port of* Maputo, was closed in 1984 after repeated attacks by the MNR and lack of maintenance. It is now being repaired and rebuilt at a cost of £127 million.

A Zimbabwean delegate at a donors' conference in Maputo last week assured Western delegates that Zimbabwe would "secure the Limpopo corridor through its own military forces", Western diplomatic sources told *The Times*.

Independent sources said that during a meeting in May, President Mugabe of Zimbabwe and President Chissano of Mozambique had agreed that Zimbabwe would provide the bulk of defences, and that this had been endorsed by a summit meeting of the eight-nation Southern African Development Co-ordination Conference last month.




The sources said that Zimbabwe had undertaken to take control of the line from Chicualacuala to Manhica, 50 miles north of Maputo. Zimbabwean forces are to be based at Chokue, 95 miles north of Manhica. The deployment is already being carried out, the sources said.

Zimbabwean airborne special forces are operating against the MNR around Chokue, the headquarters of Mozambique's Eighth Battalion, and the new commitment will mean about half of Zimbabwe's 42,000-man army will be in Mozambique. The poorly-equipped and ill-trained Mozambique forces are regarded as inadequate.

Britain last year became the first country to back the rehabilitation of the Limpopo route with a £14 million grant for the first phase of the operation to repair the worst sections of track.

In Maputo last week, £35 million was pledged at the donors' conference by Canada, West Germany and the United States for the much *more comprehensive second* phase. Railway authorities in Mozambique and Zimbabwe are anxiously waiting to see how Britain's promise of "continuing commitment" to the line materializes.

Zimbabwe railway engineering crews completed rebuilding of the first 40 miles of twisted track from the Zimbabwe border in April, and have pressed ahead, despite lack of formal approval of *donor financing, to about the* 55th mile. Other crews are engaged in an emergency "patch and repair" operation on other bad sections farther south, and limited traffic of 10,000 tonnes a month is expected to begin by the end of this year.

# Le Pen spoils French right's move to paper over cracks

From Philip Jacobson, Paris

With masterly and malign timing, M Jean-Marie Le Pen has ensured that leaders of the orthodox French right begin their annual summer holiday in a distinctly uneasy frame of mind.

No sooner had the conservatives and centrists emerged from last week's "*summit*" meeting in Paris with brave words about unifying against the Socialists in the hung parliament that followed June's general election than the president of the National Front stuck his oar in with a vengeance.

Despite his own failure to secure a seat in the National Assembly, where the party presence was reduced to one, M Le Pen understands perfectly how to exploit the divisions in the mainstream conservative camp.

It was abundantly clear at the summit meeting that the last thing M Jacques Chirac, leading the Gaullist RPR, and M Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, representing the French Democratic Union (UDF) leadership, wanted on the agenda was the sensitive issue of relations with the fractious "outsider" on their far right.

With this in mind, M Le Pen promptly called for the RPR and UDF to join his Front in alliance against the left in municipal elections due in the spring.

Why not put forward common candidates? he suggested innocently, as if scars left by the RPR's strategic deals with M Le Pen's party in the last campaign were not still fresh and raw.

It was a shrewd move, calculated to demonstrate that despite the best efforts of the RPR and UDF to paper over the cracks, the internal strains remain. The whole point of the summit meeting was to cobble together a working agreement on how best to make life difficult for the Prime Minister, M Michel Rocard, in a National Assembly in which the Socialists find themselves a dozen seats short of an absolute majority.

The climate had seemed promising enough, with the Communists — whose votes will be crucial to M Rocard — rumbling about turning on the trade union heat come autumn.

But even before M Le Pen's unwelcome intervention the communiqués announcing the establishment of UDF/RPR working parties on important issues and moves to improve relations within Parliament seemed to some observers rather less than earth-shaking.

*One key objective of the Paris* meeting was to ensure that M Rocard will not be able to capture many votes from the softer centre. But these are the very people who shy away from any thought of co-operation with the National Front, who remain deeply uneasy about those RPR hardliners murmuring about the importance of retaining "pragmatic" links with M Le Pen.

Even among Chirac loyalists the National Front leader's proposals sparked sharp reactions. One up-and-coming MP, M Nicolas Sarkozy, says that such an alliance would damage the RPR severely in the eyes of voters.

"There are a certain number of essential points, such as human rights and racism, on which we differ fundamentally," M Sarkozy said.

Interviewed this week by the newspaper *Le Quotidien de Paris, M Sarkozy argued that the main*stream right had to "reconquer" the National Front electorate and was already adapting to that challenge. He also had kind things to say about M Chirac, who had made his first important public appearance for weeks at the much-ballyhooed summit meeting.

The word on the political grapevine is that M Chirac is still suffering the shock of that crushing defeat by President Mitterrand in the presidential contest, swiftly followed by his resignation as Prime Minister.

He had invested so much of himself in the campaign — criss-crossing the nation for rousing speeches, shaking every hand and kissing babies galore — that the decisive rejection by voters who find him difficult to love was a fearful blow to his self-esteem.

If the communiqués can be believed, *the issue of leadership of* the traditional right did not arise at the Paris meeting. Given the cut-throat rivalries that resulted in a pair of conservative candidates running in the last two presidential campaigns, that can only leave the field open for further hostilities between a chastened M Chirac and the bouncy, born-again M Giscard d'Estaing, with the early money going on the latter.

Of course, there is always M Raymond Barre to reckon with: a president-in-waiting in the eyes of admirers in the centre, a scheming and unscrupulous wrecker to a good many others on the right.

To nobody's great suprise, he did not consider it worth trekking up to Paris from his holiday villa in Cap Ferrat for the meeting of the clans.

But his stance certainly does not mean he has dealt himself out of what promises to be yet another *long, and potentially damaging,* contest for the body and soul of the French right.

# SPECTRUM

As the fifth Test begins, **John Woodcock** assesses the quality of the chairman of the English cricket team's selectors

# The natural selector

THE TIMES PROFILE

PETER MAY

For no inherent reason Peter May was born to be a very fine batsman. There were no blood lines to account for it. His father, who had flown Sopwith Camels in the First World War, ran the family contracting business in Reading; his mother was a useful tennis player. The family had not been bristling with cricketing genes.

Cricket, though, has been the thread running through May's life, bringing every distinction the game has to offer, including the presidency of MCC, and finding him today, as chairman of the England selectors, in the hot seat at the Oval. Despite having had, at times, to carry the England batting almost single-handed, and for all the criticism he has had to absorb since then while trying to put together a reputable England side, May looks, at 58, very much as he did when, 30 years ago last week, he was scoring a hundred against New Zealand at Headingley.

As a 13-year-old at Charterhouse he could already bat so well that Robert Birley, the headmaster, was asked what he thought about anyone so young playing for the First XI. He was against it. But May still had four years in the Charterhouse side, a good many of his runs being recorded by William Rees-Mogg, keeper of the scorebook and later of *The Times*.

National service came next, as Writer P.B.H. May (doing clerical work in the Navy); then Cambridge, where he read History and Economics, and for three years made runs against almost everyone except Oxford at Lord's. Could anything show any better how the cricket world has been turned upside down than the scorecard when Cambridge played the West Indians at Fenner's in 1950? With the great Weekes and Worrell, as well as Ramadhin and Valentine in the West Indian side, Cambridge declared at 594 for four. Having gone to the wicket at 487 for two, May, a Freshman, made 44 not out. They played another game in those days.

It would have been stranger that the captaincy of Cambridge eluded May in his last year had it not gone instead to David Sheppard, now the Bishop of Liverpool. Both were already Test cricketers. It meant, though, that when May took over the England side from Len Hutton in 1955 his only previous experience of captaincy had been at Charterhouse. He succeeded Stuart Surridge at the Oval in 1957, steering Surrey to the last two of their seven successive championships, and between 1955 and 1968 he led England at home and abroad without losing a series.

There came a setback in Australia in 1958-59, when May's star-studded side were badly beaten by fairly dubious means (the throwing controversy was then at its height), and by 1961 illness and the urge to make a living for himself in the City had brought his playing career to a close.

May's contemporaries pay him the compliment, almost to a man, of rating him as the best English batsman to have emerged since the last war. He was a fierce and wonderful driver of the ball and a veritable genius on the Oval pitches of those days, which were nothing like as good as they are now. Although impassive by nature, he had a ruthless streak as a run-maker. Having crashed the ball through midwicket, his expression would be half sardonic, half apologetic.

As a captain his successes had most of all to do with his own batting skill and the brilliance of the bowlers whom he commanded (Statham, Trueman, Laker, Lock, Wardle and Bailey). Tactically he was cautious. His loyalty to his players was paramount. He would never hear a word against them. "A good day for the boys" was his stock submission, from Port of Spain to Sydney, whether it had been or not. They liked him for this and knew exactly where they stood with him, and for his batting they had an awesome respect. Of England's captains of the last 50 years none was more single-minded. He kept his own company a great deal, turning a blind eye to, or perhaps unaware of, the excesses of some of his troops.

And what of him today? Married for 29 years, with a directorship in Lloyd's and four daughters, he continues to play a part in the game, partly because he feels an obligation to do so, but also for the "sheer enjoyment" he has derived from it. When he was appointed chairman of the selectors in 1982 he was hailed as the Messiah of English cricket: here was someone to restore discipline, contain player-power and spot those most likely to succeed at the highest class. The challenge appealed to him.

In the event, discipline has deteriorated, not least in the way England play their cricket. As chairman of the selectors May sees himself more as an assimilator than an overlord. On the other hand, it is a contradiction in terms that such a stickler for principles and good manners should have allowed himself to be identified with this week's choice of DeFreitas, who has recently been dropped by his own county for malingering. It suggested that with a manager's as well as a captain's views to be considered, the chairman is becoming more of a figurehead than is right and proper.

Neil Harvey, as great a batsman for Australia as May was for England, said to me in Brisbane one day that he got infinitely more jittery as a selector than ever he was when playing in a Test match. Like England now, Australia were then desperately in need of a victory, and Harvey, like May, was sensitive to criticism. Although it may not always read like it, players and selectors, in reaching for the same goal, become closely attached.

In his autobiography, *A Game Enjoyed*, May wrote that "a four-year term based on the old reckoning that this would cover one home and one away series against Australia is about right in ordinary times". Well, 1982 to 1985 were not ordinary times. For one thing, a number of likely Test players were under a three-year ban for having played in South Africa. For another, May felt, as he still does, that the first-class game in England was being dominated to a detrimental extent by overseas players. In 1986, encouraged by victories over India and Australia, but perhaps against his better judgement, he was persuaded to serve a second term.

May is not an instant communicator. He is a very private person doing a very public job, a kind man having to make difficult and sometimes hurtful decisions. He can also be ungovernably stubborn. His reputation for firing captains could just as well be for standing by them for too long. Willis, Gower and Gatting may have been clumsily dismissed, but not prematurely so. It could, in fact, be said of May that he is not tough enough; that he hangs on to his players for too long, and allows his captains too much say.

In the past year there have been selections which seem not to have been thought through as they should have been. There has been a lack of coherence and of foresight. The chairman's overriding qualities are his decency and sense of duty, not his presentiment; his chief misfortune is the strength of England's opposition compared with what it was in his playing day, and the fact that the cupboard is so bare.

John Warr, currently the president of MCC, described May when he was a player as "the supreme professional in the ranks of the amateurs, just as Denis Compton was the supreme amateur in the ranks of the professionals". Now May is the Aunt Sally of the Press box, where one's theories, unlike his, are mostly immune from inspection.

GRAHAM WOOD



Every schoolboy's hero: Peter May, ruthless as a batsman, but now under attack as a selector

**BIOGRAPHY**

**1929:** Born December 31, Reading, Berkshire
**1944-47:** Played for Charterhouse 1st XI (captain 1947).
**1950-52:** Cambridge cricket and football Blues.
**1950:** Debut for Surrey
**1951:** Won first of 66 England caps (v South Africa).
**1953:** Lloyd's insurance broker.
**1955:** Captained England for first of 41 times.
**1957:** Captain of Surrey (until 1962).
**1959:** Married Virginia, daughter of the former Sussex and England cricketer, A.H.H. Gilligan.
**1961:** Last Test match (v Australia).
**1962:** Underwriting Member of Lloyd's.
**1963:** Final first-class match.
**1965-68:** England Test selector.
**1976:** Director, Willis Faber and Dumas (UK) Ltd.
**1980-81:** President of MCC.
**1982:** Appointed chairman of Test selectors.

# A star is born: how galaxies keep themselves young

SCIENCE REPORT

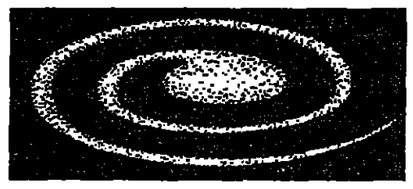
Seen from afar, our own Milky Way galaxy would have a spiral shape, with a bright, roughly spherical central nucleus embedded in a disk perhaps 50 light years across. Stars, gas and dust are concentrated in curving spiral arms radiating from the nucleus.

This general form is common, yet the origin of the spiral structure and its function in the billion-year life cycle of a galaxy has been a hard scientific puzzle to solve. In today's *Nature*, three American astronomers describe new observations suggesting that spiral arms are responsible for the formation of new generations of stars from the debris of the old, and that without them galaxies would lapse into old age.

Spiral arms are rich in gas and dust. Cool, dense clouds of gas, widely thought to be the antecedents of new stars, are known to accumulate there. But this does not mean that the spiral arms play an essential role. New stars might form anywhere in the galaxy, and might form more often in the spiral arms only because that is where most of the material to make them resides.

One theory suggests that the chief agent for making new stars is the death of old ones in gigantic supernova explosions. The powerful blast wave spreads out and runs into nearby gas clouds, compressing and heating them; the hot gas quickly radiates away its suddenly acquired energy, and after the blast wave has passed, a cool and much denser gas cloud is left behind. The shock can trigger a runaway collapse, in which the hydrogen continues to condense after the shock has passed, and after a mere million years or so can have become concentrated enough for the birth of a new star.

This theory has a corollary for spiral arms. As the supernova's blast wave spreads out, star formation can be triggered in a spherical pattern around the site of the original explosion. But this



pattern is pulled out of shape because the disk of the galaxy does not rotate as a solid body, but moves faster close to the centre. A pattern of newly forming stars which would have looked more or less circular would instead get stretched into a curved arc.

Many spiral galaxies indeed have broken-up, fragmented spiral arms, which lend themselves to such an explanation. But there are many "grand design" spirals whose arms stretch unbroken across the entire disk and are hard to explain as the consequence of local events such as supernovae.

A competing theory is based on "density waves". According to this idea, a perfectly uniform galactic disk is not stable, and develops a pattern of spiral waves that rotate slowly around the disk, compressing and rarefying the material in it just as sound waves alternately compress and rarefy the air in which they travel.

Stuart Vogel, of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York, and Shrinivas Kulkarni and Nicholas Z. Scoville, of the California Institute of Technology looked at the "grand design" spiral galaxy M51 and carefully measured the velocity of the gas in cool clouds distributed across the spiral arms. They found a sharp change in velocity between gas just in front of the spiral arm and that just behind it, a phenomenon which had been predicted as a result of the passage of a density wave.

Moreover, the sudden shock given to the gas by the passing wave can, like the passing of a supernova blast wave, trigger star formation. Vogel and his colleagues also found, a bit further behind the spiral arm, an optical emission characteristic of hot hydrogen, which they claim as evidence of new stars just beginning to shine.

If the density wave theory stands up to further scrutiny, the spiral arms of galaxies are agents of rejuvenation. If they did not, once every hundred million years or so, jolt the gas and dust thrown off by old stars then new ones would never form and our sun, for example, would not be here.

**David Lindley**

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# Plastic plan to save the Spitfire

**Ronald Faux** reports on a rescue mission to preserve the planes that won the Battle of Britain

Old warbirds standing guard at the gates of 100 RAF stations around Britain may be replaced by imperishable plastic replicas. The Spitfires and Hurricanes which have been quietly rotting away under the elements are to be removed for restoration by the Ministry of Defence, which acknowledges their place in the national heritage.

Although most of the "gate guardians" may appear to be externally pristine, under their canopies lurk decades of rust and decay. In some cases engine bearings have been found to be so rusted that the weighty Merlins that once projected the aircraft skywards are likely to drop to the ground.

According to Group Captain Robbie James, deputy director of Supply Policy at the Ministry of Defence and chairman of the Historic Aircraft Committee, some of the aircraft could fall to pieces and vigorous action is needed to safeguard the planes.

Most of the RAF's 228 historic aircraft date from the Second World War and half of them stand wearily on their wheels at the entrances to RAF stations, open to the ravages of wind and weather. The rest are held in the RAF Museum at Hendon or one of the regional collections at Cosford and St Athan.

"Something had to be done to ensure that these planes would have a future and not sadly rot away," an MOD spokesman says.

The ministry has under consideration an offer to provide 12 glass fibre replicas, guaranteed not to fly but to stand as a presentable guard for 30 years, in exchange for three Spitfires.

The shake-up of the RAF's grounded air force comes at a time when interest in historic aircraft is increasing rapidly. The MOD says there is no plan to sell off its historic aircraft to the private sector since the Spitfires and Hurricanes, in particular, were so significant in the history of the service. But there is no doubt that a large squadron of what were once noble fighters would now fetch significant prices at auction.

Tony Bianchi, managing director of Personal Plane Services at Booker Airfield, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, specializes in refurbishing ancient aircraft to flying condition and points out that historic aircraft make good investments.

"When you see what has been paid recently in the vintage car market, planes offer tremendous value for money. A Sopwith Camel, for example, in absolutely mint condition would cost £150,000 to £200,000; a Fokker D7 £150,000. They are also great fun to fly," he says.

"The difficulty with restoring a really old and rusted aircraft is that you have to take it right down to the last rivet and start from there. The cost of rebuilding could be as much as £350,000, not much less than the entire value of the aircraft when restored."

The magic of the Spitfire, however, lay not entirely in the romance of its elliptical wings and the unique note of its Merlin engine but in its flying qualities. "It is a superb, very easy aeroplane to fly. A friendly old thing with none of the twitchy vices that other warbirds suffered from," he says. In modern computer terms it is "user friendly" and has caught the imagination of collectors more than, say, the Hawker Hurricane, the other Battle of Britain stalwart which is less easy to come by.

Doug Arnold, former owner of Blackbushe Airport, Hampshire, is believed to have one of the biggest collections of Spitfires outside the MOD with 10 of the aircraft under restoration.

About another dozen Spitfires are airworthy in Britain with a couple more in Europe and half a dozen in the United States where nostalgia centres more on the Mustang.

Bianchi keeps a Spitfire among the remarkable collection of aircraft in his hangar at Booker which is a solid example of the popularity of aerial veterans. World War One aircraft are probably more popular among flying collectors because, in their nature, they are both easier and cheaper to operate.

"When you take into account fuel, maintenance and insurance, anyone who claims to be flying a Spitfire for less than £2,000 an hour is not being realistic," Bianchi says. "The Camels and SE5s of the First World War are very nimble and when fitted with a modern engine very safe. Tremendous value for money."

Certainly a different proposition from later jet aircraft which have not, as yet, caught the collector's attention to anything like the same extent, since the simplest jet-powered plane demands much greater pilot skill, technical know-how and a pocket deep enough to pay for the 500 gallons of fuel the machine is likely to use every hour.



Battling to save one of the few surviving fighters from the ravages of time: a Second World War Spitfire under restoration

*'Something had to be done to ensure that these planes have a future and not rot away'*

# HEALTH

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# Bouncing back

**The Duchess of York will be back at work just weeks after the birth of her child. Is it wise? Victoria McKee reports**

The publicist Jilly Forster built a new business from her maternity ward bed. Anna Wintour, now the editor of American *Vogue*, was back in harness a few weeks after her son's birth, with early morning workout and play periods as carefully structured as her career. Anne Diamond swore she would be back on the TV-am couch two months after Oliver's birth and was – despite nanny problems.

Esther Rantzen did not let her desire to breast-feed cramp her high-powered career: she had her nanny follow her around and present the baby at appropriate times; and Sophie Mirman, the Sock Shop supremo, was shown clutching her new baby shortly after the successful flotation of her company, extolling the joys of high-powered working motherhood.

Motherhood did not stop Mrs Thatcher, so why should it hamper the ambitious young woman today, particularly if she has waited to have her babies later in life so as to be on a more secure rung of the ladder of success?

Yet today's mothers-to-be are bombarded by conflicting images and advice. On the one hand it is "in" to be Earth Mother, sailing through pregnancy and a "natural" birth and breast-feeding. On the other, if she is not back at work within weeks she is considered a failure in some circles.

Royal mothers, while expected to represent traditional family values, are also working mothers, whose high profile duties require them to be back on view and back in shape as quickly as any ambitious career woman. The Duchess of York is planning to be back at work six weeks after the birth of her child, on a gruelling tour of Australia in the full blaze of publicity when she will scarcely have regained her figure or her equilibrium.

The midwife Susan Brown, part of the "parentcraft team" at St Thomas's Hospital with which the Duchess's gynaecologist, Anthony Kenney, is affiliated, points out that "the medical term 'puerperal psychosis' is used to refer to problems which can occur for a full *year* after the birth, when hormones can still go haywire." This is why, many argue, a mother's place is in the home – at least for that first year.

Some go further. Dr Andrew Stanway, a psychosexual and marital counsellor and co-author (with his wife, Dr Penny Stanway) of several books on childcare and breast-feeding, feels that a mother should be the primary caretaker of her child at least up *until* school age.

He believes that "a unique bond – intuitive, physical and spiritual" exists between mother and child, which is only broken to the detriment of both. But he agrees that "anything that is done wholeheartedly, whether it's going back to work or staying at home, is better than trying to ride both horses and falling off".

Sheila Kitzinger, the natural childbirth advocate, is a surprising champion of a mother's right to work, despite her emphasis on the importance of "bonding" and breast-feeding. "Some women need to work – others want to – and it's right that they should be able to." But she worries about "the unfair pressures" placed upon mothers today to be back at work so quickly. She favours a part-time, phased-in return, an option increasingly being offered by enlightened employers.

The DHSS, the Equal Opportunities Commission, the Department of Employment, the Policy Studies Institute and the Maternity Alliance all agreee that women are working longer into pregnancy and coming back to work full-time much sooner after birth than they ever did before.

And the stay in maternity wards is being similarly shortened. At St Mary's, Paddington, which sees some 2,300 births a year and which released the Princess of Wales from its private Lindo Wing within 24 hours of the birth of each of her children, Kitty Capel, the senior midwife, says that "the stay can be anywhere from six hours to seven days – for a Caesarean section – but the average stay is three or four days."

Whether a Caesarean is elective or an emergency can make a big difference in the recovery period, Capel adds, as does whether the mother is fat or slim, active or sedentary. And these days, midwives insist, there is no difficulty in Caesarean mothers "bonding" with or breast-feeding their babies.

Annette Fayburn, director of nursing at the private Portland Hospital, where the Duchess of York elected to have her baby, is more conservative in her advice on when a new mother should leave the hospital. "Those women are few and far between who can leave after six hours," she says. "We find between five and seven days is our average stay, and we recommend 10 days for a Caesarean."

Dr Miriam Stoppard, childcare expert and mother of four, attributes discrepancies in attitudes and appearance among pregnant women and new mothers almost entirely to hormones and says it is impossible to predict in advance how any woman will react to pregnancy and motherhood – and it may not be the same each time.

"Too many problems are caused by people going too far too soon," warns Betty Parsons, who prepared 20,000 British women for birth over 32 years at her private clinic, which has now closed. She is believed to have coached the Duchess of York privately "not just for labour but for life", as she puts it. "What is most important for mothers-to-be and mothers-just-become is rest."

Luckily the Duchess of York's royal commitments come with substantial backup. She is unlikely to be left in the lurch by a temperamental nanny or have to daily prove her dependability to a sceptical employer. She seems confident about being able to accompany her husband abroad – and cope with the demands of her baby who, it is now said, may accompany the royal couple.

But, no matter how confident or organized the mother, "one thing you can be sure of", Stanway says, "is never be sure of anything a pregnant woman tells you about her plans before the birth."



About to become a working mother: the Duchess of York now and, right, arriving at her old publishing job

## MEDICAL BRIEFING

DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD

# Not simplex

**Four patients this week have more in common than they realize. The tearful Kashmiri girl in excruciating pain from genital herpes, the child covered in chicken-pox spots, the tourist with a cold sore on his lip, and Mrs Peregrine Worsthorne, the wife of the editor of the *Sunday Telegraph*, who has had an attack of facial shingles. All are victims of closely related viruses of the herpes family. Chicken-pox and shingles are caused by *herpes zoster*; cold sores and genital herpes by two different types of the *herpes simplex*. According to *The Spectator*, Mrs Worsthorne's depatizing doctor failed to grasp the difference between *herpes simplex* and *zoster* and implied that she had caught facial genital herpes. He compounded his mistake by saying that no treatment was possible. He was wrong on both counts.**

**Provided that treatment is started early, all varieties of herpes can be effectively treated with adequate doses of acylovir, Zovirax.**

**In shingles, the *herpes zoster* virus usually infects the dorsal root ganglia of the spinal cord, where it can lie dormant after an attack of chicken-pox for many years, until it is activated by a change in the patient's resistance. A more important cause for the attack, such as a hidden disease or the use of immunosuppressant drugs, should be suspected if the attack lasts for more than a fortnight, or is widespread.**

**In shingles the area of the skin supplied from the infected ganglian becomes inflamed, swollen, and later blistered and ulcerated. Mrs Worsthorne was one of the unlucky 10 per cent who has had the attack on her face – it is more common on the chest and abdomen.**

## Joint action



Hair can be dyed, faces lifted, breasts and buttocks tightened, and the illusion of youth maintained, but it is difficult, as the actress Elizabeth Taylor has recently discovered, to do much about concealing the effects of the ravages of time on the skeleton, the matrix on which these other soft tissues are dependent for their form. Early reports suggested that Taylor, who is 56, was being admitted to St John's Hospital, Santa Monica, California, for an operation on her spine allegedly affected by osteoporosis which was aggravating an old riding injury to her back. It was assumed that the operation would relieve nerve root pain. More recently it has been said that the pain in her back is now secondary to an arthritic hip.

Her surgeons have suggested a hip replacement to restore a pain-free, easy walk but it is reported that Taylor has rejected their advice. An artificial hip may well be a sign of advancing years but so efficient are modern techniques that although a 56-year-old might develop a telltale gait thereafter, there is every chance that he or she would still be walking and sleeping pain-free in their middle seventies. New operations for younger patients will give an artificial hip joint an even longer life.

Women who want to postpone bony signs of ageing need to take precautions early. They should discuss hormone replacement therapy with their doctor, and be careful to avoid too much alcohol. It is perhaps noteworthy that Taylor is an ex-patient of the Betty Ford Clinic, and takes plenty of brisk exercise, two simple measures which stave off osteoporosis.

## Phantom Aids




Reports that the fear of Aids can be so great in people whose lifestyle makes them vulnerable to the disease that they develop symptoms, phantom Aids, which are identical to those caused by the real illness, have occasioned no surprise to doctors working in genito-urinary medicine. They are by now accustomed to investigating and treating a patient with diarrhoea, tiredness, persistent cough, unexplained weight loss or weird rashes, only to find that the signs and symptoms disappear once the HIV test is proved negative.

This phenomenon is age-old. In the past many an errant husband was convinced that some trivial spot was a syphilitic chancre and thereafter complained of other symptoms; sometimes even after blood tests had shown that he was clear of syphilis.

For more than 2,000 years doctors have been studying phantom ills. Psychiatrists categorize their patients and draw distinctions between those suffering from hysterical neuroses, somatization disorders, atypical somatiform disorders, or hypochondriacal neuroses.

Less specialized doctors find that the boundaries are blurred, although at the extremes the diagnosis can be very obvious. The politician who quite involuntarily loses his voice, aphonia, before an important engagement (but incidentally still coughs loudly), or the soldier with pre-battle paralysis is very apparently suffering from hysteria. The over-conscientious achiever who, when he finally cracks, subconsciously prefers to account for his illness by exaggerating some minor physical ill, is equally obviously suffering from hypochondriacal symptoms, which if they are associated with a depressive disorder, as they usually are, will rapidly respond to treatment. Patients with phantom Aids could arguably be described as having a somatization disorder.


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# TIMES DIARY

ALLAN MASSIE

The only day in July on which it didn't rain here in Scotland was St Swithin's, now also memorable as my daughter's birthday. Actually, I think the saint is an old fraud, or doesn't operate in Selkirkshire; the first summer we were here, his day was marked by a deluge, and then we had a fortnight of glorious weather.

This has been the wettest July ever recorded. Many farmers had their crops of winter barley destroyed last weekend. Cut hay has been lying sodden in the fields for a month now. These are real troubles in comparison with which the afflictions of those foolish enough to spend the first days of the holidays camped in airport lounges seem small beer.

The Game Fair at Floors Castle suffered from the rain; nevertheless 92,000 people turned up. Viewed from the front of the castle the fair offered an extraordinary spectacle of pavilions rising from a morass; "Quite medieval," as someone said, and quite right too. On the other side of the Tweed from Floors is a knoll and some stonework which is all that remains of the great medieval castle of Roxburgh. It was the scene of many sieges in the Middle Ages, and many armies must have encamped on the Game Fair site. A tree in the park marks the spot where James II was standing when a cannon exploded nearby and killed him, one of the first accidental victims of fairly modern technology. The cannon was of the type called a bombard and the King was killed in July 1460 — on St Swithin's day I shouldn't wonder.

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A few months ago I had thought to spend an agreeable hour of the fair in *The Field* tent. However, after the Carmelite House coup of last December which saw the ejection of my friend Simon Courtauld from the editor's chair, I resolved to stop writing for the magazine and felt I would therefore be persona not frightfully grata. However, I passed the tent and was interested to see one of Simon's predecessors, Wilson Stephens.

It was, incidentally, Stephens who alarmed some dog owners by writing an article in which he said dogs might attack their masters or mistresses if they found them lying down, being accustomed to seeing them erect and failing to recognize them in a different posture. This may be true, but the answer is simple. You should let your dog sleep on your bed, which is a good thing anyway in Scotland where we have no central heating, and the dog supplies heat and weight. That Border lass, Margot Asquith, née Tennant, from Glen House over the hill, once said her husband, the Prime Minister, would sleep naked under a grand piano. He should have tried a labrador.

BARRY FANTONI




'Already? It doesn't seem a year since the last dispute'

Living in the country one grows more and more like Lord Emsworth and reluctant to venture to town. Even Edinburgh, though only 40 miles away, is a daunting prospect. This means that though I am theoretically a great supporter of the festival. I go less and less often. However it starts earlier every year, and a splendid exhibition of Picabia has already opened in the Royal Scottish Academy, so I attended the press view. I arrived late, missing the rest of the press, and so can't "Jennifer" the occasion.

The pictures are very jolly though. In the accompanying exhibition of Dada and Surrealism from private collections, there is a marvellous Francis Bacon and a Paul Delvaux which I took to be a di Chirico. It would indeed have been a very good di Chirico if it had been one. I have a soft spot for di Chirico partly because I used to see him in the Caffè Greco in Via Condotti where he went at noon every day and where the waiters addressed him as *"Maestro"* quite rightly.

I have a soft spot for the RSA too, if only because it is a splendid building. The Scottish National Gallery's publicity director Janis Adams asked me to say that they have a very fine shop, so I shall; I wouldn't if they hadn't. You can buy Royal Scottish Academy claret there with the label designed by the academician Alberto Morocco.

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Another good thing about country life is that you don't have to go to the theatre. The exception is Judy Steel's Borders Festival, which is compulsory, but only happens every second year. (I shall have to go next year anyway because she has asked me to write a play about Sir Walter Scott). But otherwise there is little theatre in the borders, just as there are no trains. (Prospective visitors are sometimes deterred by the information that we are equidistant from three stations: Edinburgh, Berwick and Carlisle. You can deliver this news in the same tone as John Fothergill's waiter who, being asked whether there were any trains from "this beastly hole" on a Sunday, replied, "Yes, sir, two; one at 3.00pm and the second at 3.02pm.)

Consequently I haven't seen John McGrath's 7:84 company for several years, a deprivation I regard with equanimity. I can't tell whether the Scottish Arts Council's criticism of its declining standards is justified or not. But I do know that the petulant tone of his resignation letter is absurd. McGrath is one of those zealous lefties who seems to think that he has a right to public money, but that it is impertinent of the funding body to criticize what he does with it.

*Alan Coren is on holiday.*

Robert Fisk on Jordan's decision to withdraw from the West Bank

# Husain seesaws again

Beirut

When King Husain addressed his people on Jordanian state television last Sunday, he had behind his head an outsize portrait of his grandfather, King Abdullah.

It was old Abdullah who in 1950 — 15 months before his assassination in Jerusalem — annexed the West Bank of the Jordan river, bequeathing to his grandson a land which for more than half his rule would lie outside his control. Now Husain wished the world — and particularly the Palestinians — to know that the West Bank was their sovereign land again, at least so far as Jordan was concerned.

But the Hashemite monarchy, which at various times has coveted or sought the return to its rule of Syria and Iraq as well as mandate Palestine, has long grown used to the gentle art of political subterfuge.

Only 14 years ago the King had returned from the Arab summit in Rabat at which he had acknowledged the PLO as "the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people". Back in Amman in November 1974, he had tried to show he meant business, reorganizing the Jordanian government to exclude most Palestinian representatives and dissolving the lower house of parliament because half the deputies in it were from the West Bank. Yet here he was on Sunday, once more handing the West Bank over to the PLO. Or so it seemed. But if ever there was a policy dictated by political conditions rather than conviction or philosophy, this was it.

In truth, King Husain plays his hand from a permanent position of political and military weakness. Jordan has many friends but few natural resources. It is militarily vulnerable to the Israelis and its king has never been able to meet the territorial aspirations of his grandfather.

On Sunday he simply repeated the old scenario of independence for the West Bank with no guarantee that he will not withdraw his promise at a future date.

Even the slightest study of the past 14 years shows how this policy came about. When the Israelis invaded Lebanon in 1982, they largely destroyed the military infrastructure of the PLO, leaving Mr Arafat both politically and militarily impotent. His base in Lebanon had temporarily disappeared and, most important of all, the Americans had come up with a peace plan for the West Bank. President Reagan spoke of a common Jordanian-Palestinian involvement in a Middle East settlement and it was then that King Husain, who had hitherto dutifully maintained the promises he had given about PLO hegemony at Rabat, began to readjust his policy.

At the Arab summit at Fez in 1982 Arab leaders came close to recognising Israel. They asserted that there should be a Palestinian state but, more important, they talked about Palestinian-Jordanian cooperation. Then in June 1984, King Husain simply recalled the lower house of the Jordanian parliament as if he had never dissolved it in 1974.

In February 1985 Husain and Arafat signed their short-lived accord which was to allow Jordan a leading role in negotiations for a Palestinian entity.

But Arafat still refused to accept UN resolution 242 — which states that Israel would return occupied Arab territory in return for recognised borders — and in February 1986 Husain revoked the agreement and ejected the PLO from Amman.

The king also announced a five-year development plan for the West Bank worth at least $1.3 billion. What he failed to predict, however, was the Palestinian uprising on the West Bank, a development which had two immediate results.

It underlined a strong Palestinian national identity which reduced the influence of Jordan with every Palestinian killed by the Israelis. And it emphasised the role of the PLO, something acknowledged by the Israelis themselves when they assassinated Abu Jihad, the PLO's military leader, in Tunis.

This was no time for the king to press any claims to the West Bank. Instead, he decided to punish those who had most angered him.

The PLO itself will be hard pressed to pay for the West Bank's civil servants — if in fact the king does relinquish responsibility for their employment — since much of its latest six month $50 million contribution from Saudi Arabia will be used to pay striking workers in the occupied territory and the families of those killed by the Israelis.

The other Arab nations who have failed to help Jordan are now faced with the prospect of further dealings with Mr Arafat as the only representative of the Palestinians.

The Americans, too, have been punished. King Husain had been infuriated by the antics of Mr Shultz who went on commuting to the Middle East while the Americans continued to support the Israelis with so little attempt at criticism or exercise of the "leverage" which they always claimed to have over Israel.

Indeed, if Likud wins power in the Israeli elections, many Jordanian officials suspect the Israelis will annex the West Bank. Where will the American "peace process" stand then? Perhaps the US will plead with King Husain to intervene once again, with substantial economic assistance as the bait. If so, the king is likely to shoulder responsibility for the West Bank just as firmly as he threw it away last weekend.

Bernard Levin

# Making pigs of ourselves

BMA asks for ethical advice on pig transplants, cried the headline. They shall have it, they shall have it. My first feeling on reading about the latest "breakthrough" was one of revulsion, indeed of horror. Beware of first feelings, the doctors involved would say — will say — *do* say. No, say I; trust those first feelings, for in these matters they are overwhelmingly likely to be right. And there is a reason for that likelihood. There are impulses in us which come direct from a level far deeper than reason, and wise men and women will pay heed to what leaps across the rational gulf, because it comes from the ultimate repository of moral truth.

Why, and how, do we *always* know when we are doing wrong, even if we continue to do it? Because that inner voice — call it god, call it soul, call it spirit, call it the subconscious, call it conscience, call it a packet of prawn-flavoured potato crisps for all I care; it tells us the truth. Reason, later, finds arguments to back up that truth (or, too frequently, to deny it), but that extraordinary and inexplicable moral gyroscope which we all have in us will bring us back into balance if we will only let it.

Very well; I recoiled in horror at the news that it will shortly be possible for a pig's kidney to replace a human being's. But it behoves me to say why.

First, let us consider the heart-transplant operations that have become so fashionable — nay, all the rage — since Dr Christian Barnard pioneered the treatment. A few voices were raised at the time, and some more later, at the prodigious waste of resources involved; has any cost-conscious hospital registrar worked out how many thousands of hip-operations, cataracts, hernias, prostates, squints, tendons and sciatica could have been dealt with if the circus in the next operating-theatre had not been assembled?

Of course, we must not ask the doctors to play God (some of them need no asking), and the dilemma is no less acute than it used to be — indeed, it is more so, because an ever-rising demand for treatment cannot, this side of Heaven, be matched by an ever-rising material capacity to satisfy it. But for that very reason every hospital, and every surgeon, does in fact choose priorities, and *must* do so. Do you remember the uproar, some years ago, about the hospital in which some patients' charts were endorsed NTBR, and it was discovered that this meant, in the case of those whose condition was hopeless and who were not expected to live much longer, "Not To Be Resuscitated"? The uproar resulted in the offending letters being expunged, but it is quite certain that those in charge continued to act as though they were still there, and so does every other hospital, because they cannot do otherwise.

The abrupt resignation of the head of the group which has made this latest discovery is most welcome; to hear his excited sales-patter, a universal panacea has been discovered, capable of curing everything from acne to decapitation and from baldness to income-tax. Mind you, the trouble in the group seems to have been provoked only by the thought that such boasting might prejudice their chances of ample funding for their experiments, and if the money is not forthcoming at once, howls of protest will be heard, loud enough to ensure that the more modest weeping of the medical service that is to be mulcted for their benefit will not be heard.

I would not want to take the tragic decision: if course A is followed, patient X will live, but patient Z will die, and if course B is pursued, patient Z will live but patient X will die. But that brings me to a different part of the argument altogether, where such considerations do not apply. In the first place, it should be recognised that sooner or later patients X and Z will both die, however many nostrums are tried on them, and however many of their vital organs are replaced by those of a passing pig.

This is not just a quibble; I believe that the "miracle cures" we are now offered three times a day after meals, which are hailed with more enthusiasm than even the inhabitants of Bethany displayed at the raising of Lazarus, are symptomatic of a deeply neurotic fear of death — far greater than ever before in history — which is in turn attributable to the almost total secularisation of the life led in societies such as ours. And of all the aspects of that life, it is the end of it that has been most thoroughly purged of any meaning beyond the terrifying nothingness that so many people equate it with.

I am not the first man to wonder why death has become such a terror despite the fact that it is the only thing of which we are certain from the day we are born. I long ago abandoned the thought that it might be because some kind of punishment beyond death is thought to be in store; people stopped believing in an afterlife even before they stopped believing that they had some kind of purpose in this one.

I have gradually come to the conclusion that there is a widespread *resentment* of death, as bringing to an end the pleasures of the world, which will surely soon turn into a demand that it should be abolished. Meanwhile, fear rules people to the extent of refusing even to contemplate death, so that they will snatch at any quacksalver's elixir; when the salesman is not a charlatan but a respectable doctor, the snatching is all the more violent. Who is now allowed to die at home? Very few; in domestic circumstances death will make those around the deathbed to think upon their end, and that would never do.

And so we come to the Island of Dr Moreau. Does anyone read Wells's novels today? Much of the science-fiction has been long surpassed by reality, let alone by even richer imaginations, but this haunting long-short story is a metaphor for our times, and when I read of pig's kidneys in human bodies I thought of it at once. The eponymous doctor's work consists of blurring the line between animals and men; in effect, he is seeking to make the former into the latter. He succeeds, too, for a time, but god, or possibly biology, is not mocked; the transformed animals begin to revert to their original status, while intoning their tragic slogan: "Are we not men?"

No, they aren't; but we are. But how much longer will we be when we are emptied out and filled with the kidneys of pigs and the hearts of chimpanzees and the lungs of wart-hogs and the windpipes of rats and the stomachs of cows, and, while we are about it, eye of newt and toe of frog, wool of bat and tongue of dog, adder's fork and blind-worm's sting, lizard's leg and howlet's wing, for a charm of powerful trouble, like a hell-broth boil and bubble?

And all for what? For postponing death by a week or a year or several years? Is no one any longer willing even to entertain the possibility that our span on this earth is not only of finite duration, but in some unknowable dimension bestowed for a purpose that is not our own to choose? Stewart Alsop, the American political writer, died of leukaemia; it was a very prolonged death, largely because the course of the malady did not follow the usual pattern, so he had time to write a book about it, called *Stay of Execution*. Towards the end of the book and of his life, he used a haunting phrase: "There comes a time", he said, "when a dying man has to die, as a sleepy man has to sleep". And, in a very different mode, do you remember how Manny Shinwell concluded his 100 years? Conscious and *compos mentis* to the end, he flung up his hands and said "I've had enough!"

Wise men, both of them. For my part, I shall die when I am good and ready, with my own innards still inside me. Hear Chesterton:

*My friends, we will not go again or ape an ancient rage,*
*Or stretch the folly of our youth to be the shame of age,*
*But walk with clearer eyes and ears this path that wandereth,*
*And see undrugged in evening light the decent inn of death;*
*For there is good news yet to hear and fine things to be seen,*
*Before we go to Paradise by way of Kensal Green.*




Commentary • RONALD BUTT

# A time for reflection

Not since the late Alliance was at its peak in the last Parliament, frightening the Conservatives with the prospect of robbing them of their 1987 election majority, have more uncertainties overhung the political scene.

On the face of it, Mrs Thatcher's government is firmly underpinned by the strife in the Labour Party which has been precipitated by Mr Kinnock's attempt to revise its electorally unacceptable policies, and by the destruction of the Alliance. This autumn's Labour conference will be the beginning of a long and bitter struggle to stop the leadership's revisionism. The SLD is only at the start of a quest for an identity under a new and inexperienced leader flourishing a blank sheet.

Both parties are searching for something to say in order to be in business. But Mrs Thatcher is in business because she and her party know the kind of society they are aiming at — and three election victories suggest that it is broadly what the country wants. Yet the Government is now at risk from dangers threatening to undermine the anti-inflation policy which supports all their other achievements, above all industrial prosperity and falling unemployment.

Despite reduced Government spending, balanced budgets and a steadily diminishing national debt, something has gone wrong. The boom has inflated domestic credit, earnings are running above the inflation rate and interest rates have had to go up drawing foreign money to Britain and driving up the pound to the disadvantage of exporters.

Although the Government prefers to emphasize the part played by necessary imports of essential capital goods in the re-emerged trade deficit, it seems probable that the greater cause is credit-happy consumer spending on foreign goods.

As a result, inflation is set to rise over the next 12 months, almost certainly to more than six per cent, which is a serious reverse for ministers who talked not long ago of reaching nil inflation. Given the Government's belief that it cannot act on consumer credit through physical controls, it is right to use high interest rates to try to restrain the flood of consumer credit. It is certainly clear now that Mrs Thatcher was right to argue for higher interest rates sooner and that the Chancellor was wrong to resist, though she was wrong to conduct the argument in public. Interest rates may work.

But as well as affecting industry adversely, making credit dear, it increasingly seems to be an inadequate deterrent, except when interest rates are at damagingly high levels. Moreover, even the Chancellor's acclaimed budget is now under question. What, for instance, are the implications for public services of a budget-assisted encouragement to consumer spending in the midst of an inflationary credit boom? The voters welcome Mrs Thatcher's more individually responsible society but they do not see all community spending as bad, and Mrs Thatcher knows this, which is why she has moved Mr Kenneth Clarke to the new Health Department. Some of her disciples regard "community" as automatically a rude word because, like compassion, it has been misused, but on the basic public services she herself does not make that mistake.

So what if health and other important public services which should profit from the general prosperity, suffer in this autumn's expenditure planning because of the private credit boom? Is there not a case for the Government to reconsider its attitude to controlling the flood of domestic credit physically and not only through the rate of interest? What is clear is that the Prime Minister should think very hard this recess and reflect that it is dangerous to rely too heavily on her foes' disarray.

Labour she can probably depend on. Its shadow ministers know that to have any hope of electoral success it must reform its unilateralist and anti-Nato attitudes and accept a more free and market-based society. But they are resisted by those on whom the party relies for money and work and are handicapped by an over-promoted leader whose temperament is more appropriate to the ranks of the left, through which he rose and which he now seeks to oppose, than to No 10.

The joker in the pack is Mr Paddy Ashdown. He wants the SLD to be new and different from the old Liberals which may offend many who voted for him simply because they longed for the Grimond touch again. They have certainly chosen a man about whose thinking almost nothing is known, and that is one of the most extraordinary political events of the year.

The tradition of New Parties in British politics is not encouraging to the SLD. They seldom prosper except when they are a response to a clear issue. Yet Mr Ashdown's SLD could be different. He has self-confidence and energy and is a risk-taker which is essential in politics. He is right in seeing that the vacuum for the SLD to fill is as an alternative to the Tories, in Labour's place. The fact that his easiest votes would initally come from the Tories does not prove him wrong. A government's voters are always a third party's softest target.

So what if Mr Ashdown does produce something new, syphoning off enough discontented Tories to encourage Labour supporters fed up with a non-credible party to join them? What if the SLD could be brought to offer something different from the tired Steelite reflex actions of the Sixties? It could be enough to do damage to a government in trouble over inflation. At the moment Mr Ashdown stands vague and rhetorical as though proclaiming: "I can call spirits from the vasty deep." We must reply: "But will they come when you do call for them?" Nevertheless, it is at well to bear in mind that some just might.

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*Peter Hall's production of an English translation of Samuel Beckett's now famous play was widely acclaimed, though the Times critic was clearly puzzled as to what it was all about.*

ARTS THEATRE

## "WAITING FOR GODOT"

BY SAMUEL BECKET

The dramatic instinct reveals itself in a flow of unexpected, absorbing happenings upon the stage. But a play is something more — it is the flow gradually emerging as some significant image of life. Mr Samuel Beckett's *Waiting for Godot*, now to be seen at the Arts Theatre in a brilliant production by Mr Peter Hall, insists that these truisms shall be restated.

That Mr Beckett — an Irishman who lives in Paris and writes for preference in French — possesses the dramatic instinct in a most original sense one cannot doubt. His work in two acts holds the stage most wittily, but is it a play? Its significance — and how one feels, Mr Beckett must abjure the word — would seem to be that nothing finally is significant.

Two tramps stand near a tree on a derelict country road waiting for Godot. One, played by Mr Paul Daneman, manifests a sense of responsibility, a sense of the desperate necessity of their waiting, that gives him a certain threadbare dignity; the other (Mr Peter Woodthrope) is a whimpering grotesque all for deserting or suicide by hanging. The dialogue between them is a meandering essay in the inconsequential; if Kafka had tried to write a music hall sketch for two clowns it might perhaps have struck a similar chord. The identity of Godot, the source of his power, are of course, never made explicit though there are some carefully placed remarks about a saviour.

While the tramps' buffoonery and cross-questioning continues what we do feel palpably is a sense of the passing of time that has been lived. This is interrupted by the outrageous appearance of a portly, prosperous-looking farming gentleman, who is leading on a rope an ancient servant (Mr Timothy Bateson) foaming at the mouth tethered by his neck, and bent low by the burden of his master's suitcase, hamper, and stool.

The master, played by Mr Peter Bull, is not Godot — he is Pozzo. He represents a bullying authority that occasionally breaks down in floods of childish tears; but it is an authority none the less and as such it gives the tramps a flicker of hope. They temporarily forget Godot.

At this point Mr Beckett would seem to be hinting at some profound interpretation of the relation between master and servant, but, no doubt deliberately, this is never clarified.

On the next evening everything is repeated with a difference. Pozzo has gone blind and hence is led by his servant who is dumb. The tramps' memories begin to fail. The small boy reappears, but not Godot. The tree has sprouted leaves.

The thoroughbred Irish intelligence of much of Mr. Beckett's dialogue and his power of theatrical invention force one to take his fantasy seriously, but it remains a fantasy. His patiently elemental personages are figments in whom we cannot ultimately believe since they lack universality.

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# TROUBLE INSIDE

If, 20 years ago, you had been asked to pick which industry best typified the then "English disease" of ingrained labour unrest, you would have pointed at the docks. Ten years ago the car industry or newspapers would have taken your eye. Today there can be no better candidate than the prison system.

Scarcely a week goes by without some form of industrial action being taken by members of the Prison Officers' Association. In some prisons the action lasts for months — as at Wormwood Scrubs where in February staff began to turn away prisoners who would take the numbers above the "certified normal accommodation" level. Occasionally, as at Holloway this week, staff stage a walk-out. Sympathetic trouble at other London jails has followed.

The union has grown steadily more militant. In part this is because more officers are recruited from industry, fewer from the ranks of ex-servicemen. In part it is because of the natural solidarity of men in uniform, many of whom live together and drink together, often under threat of violence. In part too, it is because they have no fear of working themselves out of a job. The distant prospect of privatization holds no fear that the prison officers' services will no longer be required.

Within the union organization itself there is serious unrest, which at one time led the articulate and thoughtful general secretary to present and then withdraw his resignation. It has led to the chairman opposing the introduction of new working practices and the sacking of some headquarters staff.

The union is made up of powerful, semi-autonomous branches, which make decisions and enter disputes without much reference to the central body — much as Fleet Street chapels or motor industry shops used to. This tendency is encouraged by the nature of the prison system in which each jail has a historical and cultural identity of its own.

The union says that its members are angry because of unfulfilled promises by the Home Office. The Home Office point to a new prison building programme which will have five new centres taking prisoners within 12 months, a record recruitment programme which will put 1,360 additional officers on the landings by May next year. Particularly it will point to "Fresh Start", the new deal for prison staff agreed last year which was to introduce efficient working practices, give "enhanced regimes" for the prisoners, consolidate overtime earnings into basic pay and get rid of dependence on overtime altogether.

"Fresh Start" has not so far lived up to its expectations. Prisoners have found that they have had to spend more time locked in their cells, not less. Officers in the provinces have indeed found that their earnings have risen and their hours of work have declined; but in London where overtime used to reach colossal levels, some officers are taking home much thinner pay packets.

"Fresh Start" has provided a fertile ground for the union's growing militancy to take root. Disputes over manning levels are a constant source of friction and are at the heart of this week's trouble. This particular dispute centres on the manning necessary at the moment at which prison officers understandably feel most vulnerable — at unlocking time. But in any industry with reasonable modern attitudes such disputes could have been resolved by negotiation.

The prison service at present lacks a sense of corporate identity which engages both management and staff. It is run by a collection of Civil Servants who pass through the prisons department on their way to run some other Home Office responsibility.

If the prison service could be devolved to an agency, and run autonomously as British Rail or the Post Office, or indeed as it used to be under the old Prison Commission, both sides of the system would be able to feel that they belonged to the same industry. Civil Servants would build their careers within the service. The Director General of Prisons could cease to be a faceless bureaucrat and become a prominent public figure, able to start the long job of leading his staff to a better state of morale.

# BILL OF MANY COLOURS

First reactions from Brussels to the Government's plans to issue Treasury bills denominated in European Currency Units were predictable: the move was welcome, said Commission staff, but no substitute for full membership of the European Monetary System. Despite this slightly grudging welcome the plan for ECU Treasury bills is a smart bit of footwork whose symbolic value will be at least as great as its practical usefulness.

Britain is certainly in need of a European gesture. Although the renegotiation of EEC membership, which poisoned the first 10 years of its relationship with Europe, has been resolved, Britain is still seen to be out of step on many issues. It has consistently been more concerned than its partners to limit the wilder lunacies of the Common Agricultural Policy and to take proper control of the EEC's budget. Now in the approach to 1992 it is preaching a gospel of deregulation and the removal of trade barriers where many of its partners, backed by the Commission, are only too obviously more concerned to harmonize the existing regulations and create a bureaucratically administered rulebook.

Many EEC countries, as well as countries further afield, have in fact moved in the direction of "Thatcherite" economics during the 1980s. This might be thought to suggest that it is Britain which is in step and some of the others which are out. But acceptance of that fact does little to ease tensions.

Nor has Mrs Thatcher herself felt any need to soothe the feelings of those for whom Europe is more than just a geographical expression. As her recent interview on the *Jimmy Young* programme showed once again, she has a deeply felt prejudice in favour of national sovereignty and against the bureaucracy of co-operation. She also knows very well that this prejudice wins more votes than it loses. The decision to issue ECU Treasury bills is of a piece with this no-nonsense approach to Europe. But at the same time it gives Britain the moral satisfaction of having taken a concrete step towards greater European economic and monetary co-operation when others have only talked.

The "European" arguments for greater use of the ECU are that it may help a little in maintaining exchange rate stability and that it could be a useful lubricant to trade inside the EEC — both steps (if modest ones) towards European monetary union. France has long complained that, because the pound is part of the basket of currencies which make up the ECU on which EMS parities are partly based, fluctuations in sterling can destabilize the currencies within the EMS. Adding ECUs to Britain's reserves will make it easier to intervene in foreign exchange markets without upsetting the EMS. For companies, a flourishing market in ECUs could make it easier to limit financial risks on European trade.

There is also a British argument for the ECU issue. By creating the only internationally tradable short-term Government paper in ECUs the Government is hoping to claim primacy in the ECU market for the City. This will help not only the Government's "friends in the City" but British industry and the balance of payments.

The Commission, of course, is quite right that this is no substitute for full membership of the EMS. To that Mrs Thatcher, though not her Chancellor, remains resolutely opposed. But it is useful in its own right, and it enables Britain to take a front seat on the bandwagon of European economic and monetary union which had threatened to leave the station without us.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Lessons in personal injury cases

*From Mr David A. McIntosh*
Sir, No one reading Frances Gibb's report ("£490,000 award in the case the lawyers spurned", August 2) could fail to be moved by the plight of the Blackburn family, who have had to wait 12 years for civil justice. No amount of tinkering with the way in which civil personal injury litigation is conducted will prevent some undue delay if the legal practitioners involved on behalf of plaintiffs are uncertain as to how to proceed.

Some of the recommendations of the Lord Chancellor's Civil Justice Review Board will, once implemented, undoubtedly reduce delay, particularly the recommendation that a court official or appointed judge should monitor the progress of cases once commenced.

Although the primary responsibility for efficiently prosecuting personal injuries litigation lies heavily upon the plaintiff's solicitors, it is not only the plaintiff and the courts who should be concerned over unnecessary delay. In my experience, the vast majority of defendants and their insurers dislike personal injury cases dragging their heels.

Awards of damages have, over recent years, risen markedly and the longer a case runs the more it costs by way of legal expenses on both sides. It is in the interests of defendants and defendants' practitioners not to allow undue delay, particularly as in most cases it is only too easy to blame defendants for it, even where the fault lies elsewhere.

They should always be exploring the possibility of out-of-court settlements which reflect the merits and likely values of claims but, if claims cannot be settled amicably, there are steps open to defendants' lawyers to ensure that cases are as quickly as possible pursued towards hearings. In some cases, defendants who feel confident as to the merits of their defence ought to be anxious to have their name cleared by way of judicial decision.

The only people who come well out of Mr Blackburn's case are his remarkable parents and the law firm who had the necessary expertise to take over the conduct of his claim and prevent it becoming an even greater tragedy.
Yours sincerely,
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*From Mr J. P. Armstrong*
Sir, In common with other lawyers working in the field of medical negligence, I suspect that Keith Blackburn's bitter but eventually triumphant fight for justice is the successful tip of a tragic iceberg.

My firm recently brought to a speedy and successful conclusion a legally-aided case with striking similarities to that of Mr Blackburn's — an "oxygen" injury in 1976; difficulties over disclosure of documentation for many years; damages in the upper six-figure bracket; all coupled with a disappointing lack of determination by previous solicitors to convince themselves — never mind the client — that the case could be won.

Whilst in two minds about the Law Society's suggestion that there should be a register of approved medical negligence specialists, I am nevertheless convinced that there are certain guidelines that are so obvious as frequently to be ignored by practitioners and certainly not to be found in medico-legal text books:

1. Never believe anything you are told by your opponents without a double-check, least of all if they are a large bureaucracy such as a health authority.

2. Having obtained disclosure of all relevant documentation from one's opponents — which will consist of many hundreds of pages of photocopied technical medical scribble in many different hands and much of it barely legible — and having reached the conclusion that you do not fully understand its meaning, call in the appropriate medical expert immediately.

3. Always ensure that your "expert" evidence is expert in the specific field in which he is required to express an opinion.

Until no-fault compensation becomes law — it is many years overdue — one hopes that the above points will add to the encouragement that society and professional advisers should energetically give to the many potential Mr Blackburns.
Yours truly,
JOHN ARMSTRONG,
David Wineman
(Solicitors),
Craven House,
12 Kingsway, WC2.
August 2.

## Anomalies on cars and petrol

*From Mr Keith Mans, MP for Wyre (Conservative)*
Sir, Over the next few weeks hundreds of thousand of new F-registered cars will be sold. Over half of them could, but will not, be tuned to run on unleaded petrol, largely because of customer ignorance and the ignorance of many dealers as well.

I have yet to see an advertisement for a new car which indicates whether or not it can run on unleaded fuel, despite the fact that virtually all new Fords and Vauxhalls, as well as many other makes, can be very simply converted to do so. In the case of Vauxhall the conversion is free of charge.

Is it not about time that all manufacturers informed new car purchasers whether or not their cars can be converted to use unleaded fuel. After all it is 6p cheaper than four-star and makes little difference to the car's performance. What is also never mentioned is that cars converted to run on unleaded fuel can use leaded petrol as well.
Yours faithfully,
KEITH MANS,
House of Commons.
August 1.

*From Mr B. E. M. Bennie*
Sir, The House of Commons Trade and Industry Committee, in its report (details, July 27) on its investigation into petrol retailing, has chosen to conclude that *de facto* resale price maintenance exists.

It argues that the petrol companies currently recommend retail prices, which garage owners cannot afford to reduce because their current profit margins are too low. At the same time, they cannot afford to increase them because, if they do, their sales would drop. This, too, would cost them money. So they do neither.

It seems to me that this must be a classic description of very precise, balanced, and effective competitive forces at work. By criticising this phenomenon and claiming that it illustrates oil company "price-fixing" (as the media inevitably reported it), the committee, though they don't know it, are actually arguing the case for higher prices to us motorists. At the same time they are presenting the oil companies as the only effective custodians of price competition. Surely that cannot be their intention?

The committee argues that petrol retailers' gross margins, in the current range of 0-8 pence, do not produce adequate levels of price competition between competing sites. This was claimed by the Petrol Retailers Association in their evidence and the committee have fallen into the trap set for them.

The PRA, and now the committee, wish to see a wider range of petrol margins than from 0-8 pence. Wider margins can only be achieved by the PRA's members raising their petrol prices. This is what they have always wanted to do, but competition has prevented them achieving.

Do the committee really mean that the only way to *increase competition is higher petrol prices* for motorists? How can competition be increased in this way, when it is already competition that is preventing the PRA's members from raising their prices in the first place? Even if they *could raise petrol prices, would* this really be in the public interest? Surely not!
Yours faithfully,
BRUCE BENNIE,
Wallnut Tree Cottage,
North Warnborough, Hampshire.
July 28.

*From Mrs Susan C. Balsom*
Sir, Could not a little panache accompany the annual rush for new registration cars on August 1? Perhaps a race to Beaujolais villages for La Voiture Nouvelle challenge?
Yours faithfully,
SUSAN C. BALSOM,
Y Glyn,
Llanfarian,
Aberystwyth, Dyfed.
July 30.

*From Mr Alan Davidson*
Sir, I wonder why one nasty little revolution has come about with no public reaction, though plenty of private: i.e., garages where we have to get our own hands dirty and smelly while the vendor sits hygienically indoors and watches us fill up. It's getting quite difficult to avoid them.
Yours faithfully,
ALAN DAVIDSON,
Coombe House,
Packers Hill, Holwell,
Sherborne, Dorset.

## Mendis replies

*From Mr Viraj Mendis*
Sir, Your article about me (Spectrum, August 2) does not deal with the central reason why I am in sanctuary. Instead it indulges in anti-communist propaganda.

I am in sanctuary because as a Sinhala Communist and a known supporter of the Tamil Liberation struggle, I face mortal danger from the Sri Lankan security forces and the Sinhala chauvinist death squads if I am forcibly deported to Sri Lanka. This is acknowledged by Amnesty International, the World Council of Churches and indeed by all those who have knowledge about the situation in Sri Lanka but have no vested interests in defending that regime.

Your article fails to describe the situation in Sri Lanka, a situation which has meant that even the English cricket team has decided not to go there: a situation where during the last four years, 20,000 mainly Tamil people have been killed.

Apart from the racist attack on the Tamil people, the repressive legislation used by the security forces can be measured by the fact that in just one day (January 28, 1988) 1,154 Sinhalese were arrested by the special task force. Under the Prevention of Terrorism Act, those arrested can be held for 18 months without trial and their names need not be released.

On May 20, 1988, the Sinahalese chauvinist grouping, the JVP, issued a statement urging its supporters to "exterminate totally the treacherous rogues of all shades". Even 200 Sinhalese supporters of the ruling United national party have been assassinated during a period of nine months. What chance have I got?

Neither the Home Office nor your journalist have at any time sought to contest this evidence. Thankfully, the people of Hulme and Moss Side, for whom your journalist appears to have such contempt, have judged my case on its merits, not on anti-communist prejudice.
Yours,
VIRAJ MENDIS,
Church of the Ascension,
Royce Road,
Hulme, Manchester M15.

*From Mr David Burgess*
Sir, I am the solicitor acting for Viraj Mendis. Brian James's article about his case comes at a time when the House of Lords is being approached for leave to appeal. The contemptuous tone of the article may be a matter for editorial control. However, one of the substantial misstatements it contained is as follows.

Mr James claims that the core of Viraj Mendis's case is that he is a refugee because if returned, he would invite persecution. The principal point throughout the court preceedings has been the placing of apparently complete reliance on the confirmations given by the Sri Lankan High Commissioner.

The fundamental absurdity of ministers placing reliance upon statements by Government representatives as to whether one of their nationals will be persecuted, must be apparent to everyone. It is the view of the Representative of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees that ministers ought not to have relied upon the Sri Lankans to the extent that they have done.

The overall thrust of Mr James's article is that Viraj Mendis is involved in organised political struggle. That Viraj Mendis is a political activist is a fact, intimately related to the reasons for this well-founded fear of persecution. The discovery of political organisation around him is about as surprising as the realisation that the Conservative Party campaigned for Mrs Thatcher at the last election.
Yours faithfully,
DAVID BURGESS,
Winstanley-Burgess (Solicitors),
378 City Road, EC1.

## Dismissed lecturer

*From the Pro-Chancellor and the Treasurer of Hull University*
Sir, Mr Kevin McNamara, MP, speaking in the Commons, has described the dismissal of Mr Edward Page, the Hull University lecturer, as a consequence of the vice-chancellor's "hire-and-fire policy" (Parliamentary report, July 29). The decision to dismiss Mr Page was in fact that of the university's council, of which we are the chairman and deputy chairman, and of which the vice-chancellor is one member out of 42. The council has, over an extended period, clearly and consistently expressed its intention of implementing the university's academic and financial plans. For Mr McNamara to personalise the matter is deplorable.

Mr McNamara asks how Socrates would have fared at Hull. He should remember that Socrates, who was executed by the Athenians by being made to drink poison, might well have found early retirement with generous financial compensation and the opportunity to continue his activity as a philospher a more attractive alternative.
Yours faithfully,

T. H. F. FARRELL,
Pro-Chancellor,
W. L. BLACK, Treasurer,
University of Hull,
Hull, Humberside.

## Birkbeck closure

*From Dr Francis Ames-Lewis and others*
Sir, Academics at Birkbeck College welcome your leader (July 27). The proposed closure of the college's classics department would indeed be a major loss to the range of teaching and scholarship in humanities here and we hope that even now it can be avoided. Birkbeck College is the *only* institution in the UK at which students in full-time employment by day can take degree courses in the classics by evening study.

However, if the closure goes ahead, we intend none the less to continue to offer part-time classics degree courses by other means. Classicists from all other colleges of the University of London have been invited to collaborate with us in providing teaching in the classics for part-time students based at Birkbeck.

This plan marks the start of the future expansion of the college's degree-teaching activities into fields of study not otherwise available to part-time evening students.
Yours faithfully,
FRANCIS AMES-LEWIS (Head of Humanities Resource Centre),
ROLAND MAYER (Head of Classics Department),
DAVID HAMLYN (Head of Philosophy Department),
Birkbeck College,
43 Gordon Square, WC1.

## Somali civil war

*From the Ambassador of the Somali Democratic Republic*
Sir, Mr Andrew Buckoke (report, July 22) makes a string of ungrounded allegations. He attempts to predict what the Somali Government will do after defeating the armed band who attacked the northern towns of Somalia and their supporters. And while he is quick to lay all blame on the Somali Government he fails to mention that it was the armed groups who attacked and caused death, destruction and temporary chaos in the area at a time when the Somali Government was painstakingly busy with the peace process for the whole region.

If Africa is plagued by the ever-increasing influx of refugees it is not the making of the African Governments. These conditions are created and perpetuated by the all-pervasive interference of the politically and technologically advanced countries who provide the weapons and the propaganda machine which disrupts, disinforms and confuses the developing countries and their Governments. These machines use and thrive on unsophisticated naive dissidents and the damaging information they provide.
Yours sincerely,
SALAX MOHAMED ALI,
Embassy of the Somali
Democratic Republic,
60 Portland Place, W1.
July 26.

## Gazumping denial

*From Mr Michael Barton*
Sir, It is a pity that in your otherwise sensible leader on gazumping (July 26) you could not resist the ritual swipe at solicitors. You argue that solicitors (and other professions) have an interest in perpetuating gazumping because "the more conveyancing is required, even if no house is eventually transferred, the better pleased are the conveyancers." I know no solicitor who enjoys dealing with a conveyance which does not go through to completion, or having to send the client a bill for work which has been unproductive. All solicitors detest gazumping, contract races and the whole of the stress and disappointment that go with conveyancing matters which do not proceed to the end.

You, along with other newspapers, continually pay lip service to the interests of the "consumer". In the property market both vendor and purchaser are consumers. The sole cause of gazumping is the desire of vendors to get as much money as they can in a rapidly-moving market. If anyone must be blamed it is the consumer and not the professional, although it is easier to blame the latter.
Yours faithfully,
M. F. BARTON,
Michael Barton & Co (solicitors),
20 Fore Street, Kingsbridge, Devon.

## Working holidays

*From the Principal of the Blackheath School of Art*
Sir, I read the article by A. James Fergusson, entitled "Service with a wince" (July 23) with interest.

It reminded me of a working holiday I spent in the United States some 20 years ago, during which I pumped gas, cut lawns, ran messages and inspected fire extinguishers.

There are, however, two pieces of advice that Mr Fergusson might pass on to young British people. One is that whilst New York will certainly be an experience, it is not quintessentially "American"; and secondly, it is certainly possible for students to obtain temporary work permits through organisations such as the British Universities' North America Club.

My own memorable experience was being left in charge of a gas station outside Philadelphia for an afternoon with a loaded revolver in the till drawer for company!
Yours faithfully,
NICHOLAS McKEMEY,
Principal,
The Blackheath School of Art,
21 Lee Road, SE3.
July 27.

## From here to here

*From Mrs B. Digby-Jones*
Sir, Today the Post Office delivered to my door a book which I had sent by parcel post to my mother in Italy. It was addressed "to" my mother with the name and address in large block letters. My own name and address, surely necessary when posting a parcel abroad, were preceded by a decisive "from". When I took it to my local post office for an explanation, I was told that the string obscured the "from".

The Post Office Users' National Council, whom I telephoned, tried to comfort me with tales of worse experiences than mine — a correspondent in London recently had his parcel delivered back to him three times in a week.

The speed of such ping-pong reactions seems dazzling compared to the 30 or so days it took the Post Office to move mine *from* and *to* South Kensington.
Yours faithfully,
BARBARINA DIGBY-JONES,
5 Dalmeny House,
Thurloe Place, SW7.
July 25.

## Electricity puzzle

*From Mr Roger Barnard*
Sir, The Electricity Council is required by law to have two deputy chairmen appointed by the Secretary of State for Energy. After the death of Mr Oliver Brooks, in June, 1985, no one has been appointed to succeed him as second deputy chairman of the council.

This defect in the council's constitution raises an interesting question about its current legal status. If a public body is not properly constituted within terms of its empowering Act, can it still validly perform its functions, or is it a mere boneless wonder?

When I pressed this point recently, the Electricity Council sought to rely on a single sentence in the Electricity (Central Authority and Area Boards) Regulations 1947, as amended. This says that the council has power to act notwithstanding a vacancy among its members.

I strongly suspect, however, that the purpose of the regulations is simply to rebut any presumption of incapacity that might arise when a member of the Electricity Council dies, retires, or resigns and the secretary of state is unable or unready to appoint an immediate replacement.

A routine safeguard buried in the fine print of delegated legislation cannot be used to thwart a clear requirement of the primary Act, year in and year out.

A more fundamental point for all those who have reason to distrust the Electricity Council is that it could have demanded and even finally compelled the fulfilment of the statutory requirement for two deputy chairmen.

The Electricity Council is over-endowed in both membership and staff and I would be surprised if it actually needs two deputy chairman in 1988, the thirtieth anniversary of its legal birth. But the public is entitled to expect a more scrupulous respect for Parliament's intentions from the governing body of this great national industry.
Yours faithfully,
ROGER BARNARD (Secretary,
London Electricity Consultative
Council),
144 Fellows Road, NW3.

## Hormones in milk

*From Mr Alan Long*
Sir, Welfare of the primary producers — the cows — has received short shrift in the correspondence on use of injected artificial growth-hormone analogues, generically called BST (bovine somatotrophin), on animals reared for their milk and meat. Exploitation of the cow's maternal and reproductive functions in present methods already drives her to the verge of physiological breakdown.

Use of the BSTs can only intensify this stress, which will manifest itself when they are applied outside the present expensively-monitored experimental herds to ordinary commercial stock.

Such technology is crass when the economics of milk call for reduced gallonages from low-input husbandry — with cows in meadows, not in yards or cubicles on concentrates.
Good wishes,
ALAN LONG,
The Vegetarian Society of the UK
53 Marloes Road, W8.

## Jumping the gun

*From Miss Swapna Mehta*
Sir, I feel even Mr Edward Raw (August 2) is fortunate, considering what I got. Just after my A-level examination was over, I received an invoice for the autumn term's fee from an American college which I had not even joined. All I had done was to show some interest in receiving their brochures for the Autumn term '88 two years ago.
Yours sincerely,
SWAPNA MEHTA,
18 Leigh Court,
Byron Hill Road,
Harrow-on-the-Hill, Middlesex.

## Benn's battle

*From Mr Gordon Wignall*
Sir, Your interesting account of Mr Benn's renunciation of his peerage ("On This Day", August 1) necessarily obscured some of the elaborate dealings surrounding the constituency of Bristol South-East in the early 1960s.

Amongst them was a court case, brought by Mr Malcolm St Clair, in which it was held that 23,275 votes recorded for Mr Benn had been "thrown away" by the electorate (these were pre-Peerage Act days and Mr Benn was not entitled to stand). Mr Benn represented himself throughout.

At the end of his judgement Mr Justice Gorman had these words to say of the respondent, which some may now find extremely distracting:

In the course of the delightful manner in which Mr Wedgwood Benn conducted his case he said words to this effect: "I have intended to make the House of Commons my career. It may be that I shall now have to get my living in some other way . . . " Having heard the magnificent way in which this case has been conducted by Mr Wedgwood Benn, this court has not the slightest doubt that there is another way.

Yours faithfully,
GORDON WIGNALL,
As from: 2 Essex Court,
Temple, EC4.

## Limited issue

*From Mr R. B. Hoole*
Sir, Should not our £10 notes carry a Government health warning, such as "These notes are liable to deteriorate, and holders are recommended to use them within six months?
Yours faithfully,
R. B. HOOLE,
Copper Coign, Priestlands,
Sherborne, Dorset.

# COURT AND SOCIAL

## COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

August 3: His Excellency Mr Salah Mohamed Ali and Mrs Dini were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Somali Democratic Republic to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency Mr Armando Alexandre Panguene was received in audience by The Queen and presented his Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the People's Republic of Mozambique to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the Embassy who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty: Mr Maximiano Maxlhaeia (Second Secretary) and Mr Viato Santos Bonde (Administrative Attaché).

Mrs Panguene had the honour of being received by The Queen.

Mr Alan Munro (Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs), who had the honour of being received by Her Majesty, was present, and the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

The Right Reverend David Say (Bishop of Rochester) had the honour of being received by The Queen and delivered up his Badge of Office upon relinquishing his appointment as Lord High Almoner.

The Right Reverend John Taylor (Bishop of St Albans) had the honour of being received by The Queen upon his appointment as Lord High Almoner and received from Her Majesty the Badge of Office.

His Excellency Dr Marcelo Martén and Señora de Martén were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Costa Rica to the Court of St James's.

The Governor-General of Canada had the honour of being invited to luncheon with The Queen.

The Queen this afternoon visited St Christopher's Hospice, Sydenham, to mark its 21st Anniversary year.

Her Majesty was received on arrival by the Mayor of Bromley (Councillor Mrs Doreen Moir) and the Chairman of St Christopher's Hospice (Dame Cicely Saunders).

Mrs John Dugdale, the Right Hon Sir William Heseltine and Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson were in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE

August 3: Corporal of Horse D. C. F. Preece and Corporal of Horse E. G. R. Charlett today had the honour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother when Her Majesty, on behalf of The Queen, decorated them with the Royal Victorian Medal (Silver).

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother celebrates her birthday today.

## Forthcoming marriages

**Mr G.H.R. Dick and Miss S.E. Millner**
The engagement is announced between Graham Hugh Rose, younger son of Mr Peter Harry William Dick and the late Mrs Dick, of Virginia Water, Surrey, and Sara Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Millner, of Milford on Sea, Hampshire.

**Mr P.A. Forman and Miss C.M. Huber**
The engagement is announced between Paul Anthony, son of Mr and Mrs Eric Forman, of Tonbridge, Kent, and Cathleen Marie Huber, of Milford, Michigan, United States.

**Mr G.M.A. Maddison and Miss K.I. Hancock**
The engagement is announced between George Michael Alexander, younger son of Professor Angus Maddison, of Chevincourt (Oise) France, and Dr Carol Kidwell, of Sanderstead, Surrey, and Katya Isabel, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey F. Hancock, of Kensington, London, W8.

**Mr T.R. Newton and Miss C.G. Sandell**
The engagement is announced from Sydney, Australia, between Thomas, son of Mr and Mrs Denzil Newton, of Braunston, Oakham, Rutland, and Camilla, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Sandell, of Sutton Bassett, Market Harborough, Leicestershire.

**Mr D.J. Salvesen and Miss C.F. Eaton**
The engagement is announced between Duncan, eldest son of Mr and Mrs R.C. Salvesen, of Harpenden, Hertfordshire, and Carolyn, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A.R. Eaton, of Old Oxted, Surrey.

**Mr P.L. Wilkinson and Miss F.J. Knapp**
The engagement is announced between Patrick, younger son of Mr Alan Wilkinson, of King's Lynn, Norfolk, and Mrs Lucy Wilkinson, of Woodbridge, Suffolk, and Fiona, daughter of Mr and Mrs K.J. Knapp, of Rendcomb, Gloucestershire.

## Marriages

**Mr R.M. Harington and Miss P. Nadash**
The marriage took place on July 27 at Oxford, between Mr Robert Harington, son of Dr and Mrs M. Harington, of East Sheen, London, SW14, and Miss Pamela Nadash, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Nadash, of Columbia MD, United States.

**Captain G. Haslam and Miss J. Farquharson of Finzean**
The marriage took place on Saturday at Birse Church, Aberdeenshire, between Captain Guy Haslam, 5th Royal Inniskilling Dragoon Guards, younger son of Mr and Mrs Nigel Haslam, of Rusland, Camberley, and Miss Jean Farquharson of Finzean, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Angus Farquharson of Finzean. The Rev John Ferguson officiated, assisted by the Rev John Forbes.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Victoria Forbes, Sarah Molander, Katie Gordon, Gemma Barron, James Faulkner and Edward Barrow. Captain Patrick Walker was best man. A guard of honour was formed by warrant officers of the bridegroom's regiment.

The reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent in Kenya.

**Mr J. Read and Miss M. Snow**
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 30, at St Etheldreda's Church, Ely Place, London, of Mr Jeremy Read, eldest son of Brigadier and Mrs G. Read, of Broad Chalke, to Miss Miranda Snow, second daughter of Mr S.E.F. Snow, of Exeter, and Mrs A. Longland, of Stinsford, Dorset. Father Kit Cunningham officiated and the nuptial blessing was given by Dom Benet Perceval, OSB.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her stepfather, Mr Antony Longland, was attended by Jessica and Christopher Lanigan O'Keefe and Luke Irving. Mr William O'Kelly was best man.

A reception was held at Vintners' Hall and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

## Luncheon

**East Africa Association**
The Prime Minister of Mauritius was the guest of honour at a luncheon given yesterday by the East Africa Association at the Charing Cross Hotel. Mr G.H. Moody-Stuart, chairman, was the host and Mr J.W. Jourdain, vice-chairman, also spoke.

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## Birthdays today

Vice-Admiral Sir Patrick Bayly, 74; Mr Paul Beard, violinist, 87; Mr David Bedford, composer, 51; Mr William Cooper, novelist, 78; Sir Rustam Feroze, obstetrician and gynaecologist, 68; Professor H.L. Freeman, psychiatrist, 59; Sir George Godber, former chairman, Health Education Council, 80; Air Marshal Sir Victor Groom, 90; Miss Georgina Hale, actress, 45; General Sir Reginald Hewetson, 80; Sir Harold Hobson, drama critic, 84; Mrs Rachel Jones, former chairman, Broadcasting Council for Wales, 80; Mr David Lange, Prime Minister of New Zealand, 46; Mr Simon Preston, organist, 50; Mr John Spalding, chief executive, Halifax Building Society, 64; Dr A. W. Spence, endocrinologist, 88; Mr Peter Squires, rugby player, 37; Sir Rodney Swiss, dentist, 84.

## Anniversaries

BIRTHS: John Tradescant, gardener, Meopham, Kent, 1608; Edward Irving, founder of the Catholic Apostolic Church, Dumfries, 1792; Percy Bysshe Shelley, Field Place, Horsham, Sussex, 1792; W.H. Hudson, writer and naturalist, near Buenos Aires, 1841; Knut Hamsun, novelist and poet, Nobel laureate 1920, Lam, Norway, 1859; Sir Harry Lauder, Edinburgh, 1870.

DEATHS: Simon de Montfort, Earl of Leicester, killed at the battle of Evesham, 1265; William Cecil, Baron Burghley, statesman, London, 1598; Hans Christian Andersen, Copenhagen, 1875; James Cruze, film director, Hollywood, 1942; Rodney (Gipsy) Smith, evangelist, at sea, 1947.

Britain declared war on Germany, 1914.

## English wine for France

An English vineyard has brought off a major trading coup by winning a prestigious export order to supply France's top wine merchant.

Elmham Park in Norfolk has just dispatched 200 cases of its 1986 dry white wine to Nicolas, the leading Parisian wine merchant. It is the first time the company has stocked an English wine.

# Princess's last wish fulfilled as she is laid to rest in Jerusalem

By David Bernstein, Jerusalem, and Alan Hamilton in London

Princess Andrew of Greece, mother of the Duke of Edinburgh, was reinterred yesterday, in the Russian Orthodox Church of St Mary Magdalene, on the slopes of the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem, nineteen years after her death.

It had been her last wish, at the time of her death at Buckingham Palace in 1969, to be buried there next to her aunt, Grand Duchess Elizabeth Feodorovna, a granddaughter of Queen Victoria and sister-in-law of Tsar Nicholas II of Russia.

But political and religious complications compelled her body to lie for nearly two decades at temporary rest in the royal vault of St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle.

In a private ceremony attended only by Princess George of Hanover, the Duke of Edinburgh's sister and the eldest surviving member of the family, the Dean of Windsor and his wife, Mr Ivan Callan, the British consul-general in Jerusalem and his family, Mr Christopher Kenyon, the royal funeral director from Windsor, and a knot of Russian Orthodox nuns, Princess Andrew's remains were placed in a specially prepared crypt below the stairs leading up to the onion-domed White Russian Church.

Neither the Duke nor any other member of the British royal family was present, to ensure that no political controversy marred the brief ceremony.

A delicate political problem surrounded her wish to be buried in East Jerusalem, whose annexation by Israel after its capture in the 1967 Six Day War has still not been recognized by the British government.

A further ecclesiastical difficulty was posed by the proposed burial of Princess Andrew, a member of the Greek Orthodox Church, beside the remains of the Russian Orthodox Grand Duchess.

The first was solved by keeping the ceremony a strictly private family affair, with no official Israeli representation and no other member of the royal family present. The second was overcome by holding two separate services, first a Mass conducted by Greek Orthodox Patriarch Diodorus at his official residence on the Mount of Olives, followed by reinterment in the church at a service attended by both Patriarch Diodorus and Russian Orthodox Archimandrite Alexis.

In addition, Princess Andrew's coffin was placed in a crypt beneath the church, and not alongside the Grand Duchess, whose remains lie inside the church itself.

The oak coffin arrived in Israel yesterday morning on board a regular British Airways flight, and was draped in the blue and white flag of the Greek Union as it was carried into the church by four pallbearers from Israel Embalming Services, a private company handling the arrangements. Two of the bearers wore Jewish *yamulka* skull caps, and another company official sported the long side curls characteristic of Orthodox Jews, adding a further bizarre element to an already odd ecumenical scene.

Grand Duchess Elizabeth was murdered by Bolsheviks during the Russian Revolution by being thrown down a mine shaft; her body and that of her servant were later recovered by White Russian troops and taken to Palestine. She had attended the inauguration of the St Mary Magdalene Church in 1888, and she and Princess Andrew are said to have made a vow to be buried together in the Holy City.

After the gradual collapse of her marriage following the family's exile from Greece in 1922 when the future Duke of Edinburgh was less than a year old, Princess Andrew became deeply religious, and founded her own order of nuns, the Christian Sisterhood of Martha and Mary. Having close connections with the Greek, Russian and Western Protestant churches, she saw her mission as helping to unite all the religions of the western world, Christian, Jewish and Islamic.

Prince Andrew of Greece, the Duke of Edinburgh's father, died broken and almost destitute in Monte Carlo in 1944.

Mr Harold Brooks-Baker, publisher of *Burke's Peerage*, who met Princess Andrew several times in her final years, said yesterday she had hoped her eventual reburial in Jerusalem, the religious crossroads of the western world, would again focus attention on her life's work.

"This shows that this wonderful, spirited woman's life's interest continues beyond the grave, and indeed to the second grave. She was remarkable. She was a tiny, simple woman with a very powerful presence; she lost all interest in social life and became totally devoted to her religious teachings," Mr Brooks-Baker said.

Princess Andrew is not the first member of her family to have her final rest disturbed. Eight years ago when Prince Peter of Greece, the Duke of Edinburgh's first cousin, died in London, he left instructions that he should be buried in Copenhagen, where he had a home. But his remains had to wait in a London mortuary for more than a year before the Danish authorities finally gave permission for his interment.

# Presenting the daredevil duchess



The Duchess of Westminster, accompanied by her children, Lady Tamara Grosvenor and Lady Edwina Grosvenor, enjoying an airy form of transport around their 10,000 estate at Eaton Hall, Cheshire. The 200cc Honda motor cycle was a present from her husband (Photograph: Barry Greenwood).

# Disaster alert as Shetland seabird chicks starve

By Kerry Gill

Seabird populations in the Shetland Isles have suffered their most disastrous breeding season ever recorded with tens of thousands of young chicks dying from starvation.

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds yesterday said that lack of food appeared to be the main cause of the "unprecedented disaster".

Among the worst affected species are Arctic terns, Arctic skuas, puffins, kittiwakes, red-throated divers and great skuas. The vast majority of great skua chicks on the island of Foula, the largest colony in the world, have died with the remainder in poor health.

Mr Frank Hamilton, director of the RSPB in Scotland, said the situation next year could be even worse. He has called for an urgent meeting with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland.

One theory is that there has been overfishing of sandeels, a staple diet of most species of seabirds. Sandeels have been fished commercially around Shetland since 1974 and are processed into fish meal and feed pellets for poultry and fish farming. A similar problem affecting puffins and razorbills off the Norwegian coast has been attributed to the fall in sandeels due to fishing.

Mr Hamilton said that if this was the reason, the RSPB would be calling for a ban on sandeel fishing in the waters around Shetland. The society and the Nature Conservancy Council have funded research by Glasgow University into the breeding failures of the terns on Shetland.

Mr Peter Ellis, the society's Shetland officer, said: "Failures on this scale have never been witnessed in United Kingdom waters before. This is an unprecedented disaster. Colonies that normally have thousands of chicks hold only a handful."

Eight years ago there were 32,000 pairs of Arctic terns on Shetland, more than 40 per cent of the British and Irish population, but numbers are reckoned to have plummeted by up to 70 per cent.

Total breeding failure has occured among kittiwakes on the east, south and south west coast of Shetland, and on Foula, where there were 48,000 pairs of puffins last year, breeding failure has also been almost 100 per cent.

Three quarters of the British population of red-throated divers live on Shetland. This year the number of chicks has fallen by about half. Mr Hamilton said the RSPB had noticed that all was not well in Shetland for the past five years with many terns either not laying or deserting their nests.

"This year it is much worse, affecting a bigger range of birds. Many adults arrived and did not even attempt to nest, some laid but deserted their eggs while others deserted their young," he said.

## Latest wills

**Earl Russell**, of Porthcurno, Cornwall, elder son of Bertrand Russell, the philosopher, left estate valued at £69,605 net.

Mr Alexander Thomson Gordon, of Eastbourne, East Sussex, left estate valued at £1,075,992 net.

Mr David Trevor, of Wheathampstead, Hertfordshire, orthopaedic surgeon and pioneer of hip replacements, left estate valued at £185,609 net.

Mrs Elizabeth Alice Shaw, of Muirhead, Glasgow, left estate valued at £1,332,379 net.

Mr Raymond Henry Williams, of Saffron Walden, Essex, Marxist cultural historian and novelist, left estate valued at £88,698 net.

Mrs Alice Mary Bowden, of Reading, Berkshire, left estate valued at £1,071,967 net.

Mr Rupert Norton, of Rugeley, Staffordshire, left estate valued at £1,100,734 net. He left his estate to relatives.

Mrs Brenda Yeadon, of Kirkby Overblow, North Yorkshire, left estate valued at £1,593,173 net. She left her estate mostly to relatives.

## Barren bards

The National Eisteddfod's coveted prose medal and prize will not be awarded this year because none of the competitors had written anything of the standard required, the organizers said yesterday.

# Memorial service

**Colonel the Hon Julian Berry**
A service of thanksgiving for the life of Colonel the Hon Julian Berry was held yesterday in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks. The Rev John Barry, Chaplain to the Household Division, officiated. Mr Simon Berry, son, and Major John Mills read the lessons. Major-General Sir James Eyre gave an address. Among those present were:

The Hon Mrs Berry (widow), Mr and Mrs Jeremy Wagg (son-in-law and daughter), Mrs Simon Berry (daughter-in-law), Miss Kate Wagg (granddaughter), Mr Jake Wagg (grandson), Viscount and Viscountess Camrose (brother and sister-in-law), Lord Hartwell (brother), the Countess of Birkenhead (sister), Major and the Hon Mrs R G McNair Scott (brother-in-law and sister), Commander and Mrs G Rowan-Thomson (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Mr John and Lady Juliet Townsend, Viscount and Viscountess Remsley, the Hon Neville Berry, Colonel Michael Watson, Lord and Lady Iliffe, Pamela Marchioness of Huntly, Miss A Rowan-Thomson, Miss G Rowan-Thomson, Miss M Rowan-Thomson, Mrs R Ward, Mr John Sinclair, Major-General Earl Cathcart (also representing Royal Yacht Squadron) and Countess Cathcart, Mr P Adams, the Hon Adrian and Mrs Berry, the Hon Eleanor Berry, the Hon Nicholas and Mrs Berry, Mr and Mrs Mark Horne, the Hon Alastair and Mrs Hoyer Millar, Mr and Mrs Lawrence Scott, Mr Mark MacAuley, Mr Rupert MacAuley, Mr William MacAuley, Mr and Mrs Thomas McNair Scott, Mr and Mrs David Morgan Jones, Mr Rhydian Morgan Jones, Mr and Mrs Jeremy Oakley, Mr and Mrs Thomas Palmerlane, Mr and Mrs Dominic Sasse, Mr and Mrs Rob Williams, Mr and Mrs Thomas Williams, Mr Jeremy Wilson, Mr Patrick Wilson, Mr and Mrs C Williams, Mr and Mrs Nigel McNair Scott, Sir John and Lady Colleridge, Mrs Barrington, Mr and Mrs Tom Colleridge, the Hon Mrs Christopher Whitehead, Mr and Mrs C I M Williams.

The Duke of Wellington (also representing Pitt Club) and the Duchess of Wellington, the Marquess of Cholmondeley, Rosemary Marchioness Camden, Patricia Countess Jellicoe, Earl and Countess Lloyd George of Dwyfor, the Earl of Scarbrough, the Countess of Lisburne, Lord Michael Fitzalan Howard (Colonel, The Life Guards), Lord John Wellesley, Viscount and Viscountess Slim, Lord Michael Pratt, Major Lord and Lady Desmond Chichester, Lord and Lady Birdwood, Lord and Lady Cullen of Ashbourne, Baroness Sharples, Lord and Lady Northbrook, Lord Vestey, Lord Chetwode, Lord Fairhaven (senior steward, Jockey Club) and Lady Fairhaven, Lord Howard de Walden, Lady Strathcarron, Lord Pender, Lord and Lady Terrington, Lady Soames, Lord and Lady Farnham, Lord Crimthorpe, Lady Mancroft, Lord Greenock, Lord Sherfield, Lord and Lady Loch.

Lady Margaret Colville, Lady Angela Oswald, Lady Caroline Waterhouse, the Hon James Morrison, Captain the Hon Nicholas and Mrs Beaumont, the Hon Edward Biddulph, the Hon Mrs John Cavendish (Hampshire Hunt), the Hon Nicholas Villiers, the Hon Sir Anthony Oakshott, the Hon Mrs M Carrington, Brigadier Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor (Scots Guards), Lieutenant-Colonel Sir James and Lady Scott, Sir David and Lady Black, Anastasia Lady Studd, Lady Grant Lawson, Sir Hugh Stucley, Anne Lady Laffray, Major-General Sir John Younger, Elizabeth Lady Bonsor, Sir Richard and Lady Rasch, Sir Hugh and Lady Smiley, Sir Anthony and Lady Weldon, Sir Nicholas Nuttall, Sir James and Lady Scott, Sir Thomas and Lady Butler.

Field Marshal Sir John Stanier (representing the Hampshire branch, British Red Cross Society), General Sir Desmond Fitzpatrick (Colonel, The Blues and Royals) and Lady Fitzpatrick, Lady Eyre, Lady Legard, General Sir David Fraser, Sir Derick and Lady Ashe, Sir William Crawshay, Sir Peter and Lady Miles, Major-General Sir George Burns (Colonel, Coldstream Guards), Sir Humphrey Prideaux, Sir John and Lady Milne, General Sir Victor and Lady FitzGerald-Balfour, Major-General Sir Roy and Lady Redgrave, Colonel Sir Piers Bengough (Ascot Racecourse).

Sir Nigel Strutt, Sir Arthur Collins (2nd Household Cavalry Regiment), Lady Elmhirst, Sir Hugh and the Hon Lady Dundas, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Eric Penn, Lieutenant-Colonel Sir John Miller, Major Charles and Lady Elizabeth Lambton, Wing Commander Gordon and Lady Bridget Sinclair, Mr Rory and Lady Elizabeth More O'Ferrall, Mr Ronald and Lady Gloria Flower, Captain Anthony and Lady Charlotte McCallum, Mr Norman and Lady Louisa Cosgrave, Major Rhidian and Lady Honor Llewellyn, Lieutenant-Commander and the Hon Mrs J Osborne King, Major and the Hon Mrs Everard de Lisle, Mr and the Hon Mrs Richard Palmer.

Mr Max Hastings (editor, *The Daily Telegraph*), Mr Andrew Craig Harvey, Mr John Henderson, Colonel and Mrs W H Gerard-Leigh, Commander and Mrs John Oram, Brigadier M J P O'Cock (Irish Guards) and Mrs O'Cock, Mr and Mrs Michael Price, Mr and Mrs Guy Routledge, Mrs John Mills, Colonel Andrew Parker Bowles (Household Cavalry), Mr Jo Floyd, Brigadier Ralph Sassoon, Colonel R Abel Smith, Mr Rupert Hambro, Mr Michael Bonsor, Prince and Princess George Galitzine, Mr Peter Andrews, Major John Surtees, Major and Mrs John Wills, Mr Harry Middleton, Mrs Peter Cazalet, Mrs David Smiley, Major and Mrs Hugh Rose, Mr Geoffrey van Cutsem, Mr and Mrs John Sheffield, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Vincent Paravicini, Major Nicolas Paravicini, Mr John Paravicini, Mr William Bell, Major David Chetwode, Mr W Legge-Bourke, Baron Vaes, Mr Michael Chetwode, Mr and Mrs John Profumo, Mr Jocelyn Hambro, Mr Charles Smith Ryland, Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs Robin Hanbury, Commander Michael Wall, Major Timothy Tufnell, Mr Simon Parker Bowles.

Mr Timothy P Neligan (United Racecourses), Mr Charles A Smith Bingham (British Bloodstock Agency), Mr Robin Leslie (White's Club), Major H W Schofield (*Guards Magazine*), Brigadier James Emson (also representing the committee, Royal Windsor Horse Show), Lieutenant-Colonel R J Morrisey Paine (The Household Cavalry Mounted Regiment), Major A J Dickinson (1st Household Cavalry Regiment Dining Club), Mr C D M Mosselmans (Sedgwick Group), Mr D M Murray and Mr D J Holmes (1140 Trustee Company), Major-General Desmond Spencer Gordon (representing the chairman, Eastwood Stud, Yorkshire), Colonel J P A Pease (Aldershot Beagles), Mr Norman Lieni (representing Bisterne Estate staff), Major C W J Lewis (Combined Cavalry Old Comrades), Mrs S Marcus (Hampshire Hunt) and the Chairman of the Basingstoke Magistrates' Court.

# OBITUARY

## MR RAYMOND CARVER

### American writer with a new language

Mr Raymond Carver, gifted short-story writer, poet and influential stylist of plain American speech, has died of cancer at the age of 50. He was widely regarded as the laureate of America's unhappy and dispossessed.

Brought up in a religious orphanage, he himself worked in many menial jobs – janitor, bartender, navvy among them. He listened carefully to what he heard and, when he became a writer, used his experiences to create a new voice for American fiction. He was arguably as influential for young United States writers today as Ernest Hemingway had been in the 1920s and 1930s.

Towards the end of his life his influence had begun to cross the Atlantic. His death is a serious loss to the development of English language fiction.

Although not a politically motivated writer, he had a deep understanding of the poor and underprivileged and had learned the hard way to express it unsentimentally. His long and winning battle with alcoholism, too, influenced his work in an unsentimental way.

Carver began publishing in the late 1960s with the poetry in *Near Klamath* (1968) and *Winter Insomnia* (1970), but he did not become well-known until more than a decade later, and this was for the short stories in *Will You Please Be Quiet, Please* (1976).

His high status as story-writer was belatedly confirmed with the collection *What We Talk About When We Talk About Love* (1981). He gained a Guggenheim Award in 1978, and the Strauss Living Award in 1983.

Carver latterly had achieved a remarkable and elegant simplicity. He was as assured and sincere as his great predecessor, Sherwood Anderson, although he had a narrower range. His dialogue mirrors the rhythms of everyday life, taking the common place mysteriously above itself.

Born in Clatskanie, Oregon, he got an education at Humboldt State University and subsequently taught at the universities of California, Iowa, Texas and Syracuse.

Carver could occasionally slip into the banal, usually in his verse. But he was exemplary as a writer in being minor in an age that, perhaps vainly, strains for the major.

A new collection of his short stories is to be published in this country later this month.

Carver had been married and divorced. He is survived by a son and a daughter.

## GEORGE WARNER ALLEN

George Warner Allen, a painter whose convictions never permitted him to stray from the classical tradition, died on July 31 at the age of 72.

A passionate admirer of the Old Masters with no use whatever for modern art, Warner Allen devoted himself single-mindedly to painting religious, allegorical and other imaginative subjects, often on a large scale and always in an elaborate oil and tempera technique based on close study of these masters' methods.

One might have been meeting a Pre-Raphaelite, or at least an artist of the generation of Charles Ricketts, whose memorial exhibition in 1933 had moved him deeply.

He was acutely aware of his isolation, and would often quote his master Ernest Jackson who, in 1938, hearing him lament the implications for art of the coming cataclysm, had replied: "I know, Allen, I know, but just keep the place warm".

This, he would say, had been the spirit in which he had done his life's work. Nonetheless his views, though trenchant, were not bitter; he was stimulating company.

Born in 1916, Warner Allen attended Lancing College before entering the Byam Shaw School of Art on the advice of the painter and decorative artist Robert Anning Bell.

It was there that he encountered Jackson, one of the finest teachers of his day.

In 1952 a large show of his work was held at Walker's Galleries, New Bond Street, moving to the Reading Art Gallery the following year.

These paintings, which included religious and pastoral subjects, portraits, war memorials and works in homage to such "gods" for him as Titian and Alfred Stevens, proved popular; buyers included the Reading and Nottingham Art Galleries and, among private collectors, T. S. Eliot and John Betjeman.

For the next eight years he was unable to paint, devoting himself to teaching art and caring for his elderly parents.

When inspiration returned, his style changed, becoming severer in mood and brighter in tone.

In 1973 he was received into the Roman Catholic Church; from then on he concentrated almost entirely on religious subjects, including a set of Stations of the Cross, only recently completed.

Many found the later paintings unsympathetic, and regretted the loss of his more lyrical early manner.

In his last years Warner Allen found himself rediscovered by a group of young scholars and enthusiasts, interested in his work.

He began to sell his pictures again, and two were seen in the exhibition *A Paradise Lost* held at the Barbican Art Gallery last year.

He was unmarried.

## MRS ELLIN BERLIN

Mrs Ellin Berlin, who died on July 29 at the age of 85, was a novelist and short story writer who contributed over many years to a number of popular American magazines.

The wife of the songwriter Irving Berlin, who celebrated his hundredth birthday in May, she had contributed numerous articles to *The New Yorker* before her marriage in 1926 to the famous songwriter.

She had been a celebrated New York debutante but renounced the exclusive society life surrounding her rich family for the more cosmopolitan cafe society of the 1920s era.

Her marriage to Berlin, who was fifteen years her senior and a widower, coupled with her preference for the roaring twenties over what she called the "dull old days" incurred the wrath of her wealthy father, who had cherished hopes of a glittering social wedding for his daughter.

The rift lasted for five years, when she was reunited with her father; the marriage endured for over sixty years and Mr Berlin dedicated several of his most famous songs to her, including *"Always"* and *"The Song is Ended"*.

During the 1930s she began contributing short stories to *The Saturday Evening Post*, *The Ladies' Home Journal* and other magazines. Her first novel, *"Land I Have Chosen"*, was published in 1944. She wrote three other novels, the last - *"The Best of Families"* - being published in 1970.

## BISHOP GUY SANDERSON

*Mr Antony Miall writes:*

In the obituary of Bishop Guy Sanderson (July 27) it was noted that one of his favourite recreations was music and that he "delighted to play from memory the "hits" of the 1930s." It might be worthwile pointing out the bishop's father, Wilfrid Ernest Sanderson, had in fact composed a fair number of these "hits" himself.

Wilfrid Sanderson was one of the early twentieth century's most prolific and famous professional composers of popular songs. Many of his compositions are still well-known today.

Foremost among these – perhaps, sadly, more thanks to advertizing than home music-making – is the ballad – "We'm come up from Somerset, where the cider apples grow."

The ferment in the popular music world caused by that and many other songs made Bishop Sanderson's choice of music as recreation the most natural in the world.

# £1m MacLeod pilgrim centre for Iona

By Kerry Gill

The Feast of the Transfiguration falls this week, along with the 43rd anniversary of the dropping of the atom bomb on Hiroshima.

The irony is not lost on Lord MacLeod of Fuinary, the pacifist and visonary, who today will attend the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Iona Community on the isle where St Columba landed in the sixth century.

The Very Rev Lord MacLeod will take part in a service of dedication for the new £1 million MacLeod Centre which he will open, and will provide accommodation for the thousands of young pilgrims who visit Iona every year.

Lord MacLeod, aged 93, was a Church of Scotland minister in Govan, a down at heel area of Glasgow, when he decided to devise a training scheme for ministers working in urban communities. He and a handful of ministers and local craftsmen began rebuilding the ruined abbey on Iona, originally founded by the Benedictines in the 12th century.

The rebuilding was completed in 1967. He felt that theological studies could be too rarified and wanted to encourage ministers to visit Iona and, literally, get their hands dirty acting as labourers to the craftsmen.

The Iona Community, born in 1938, was at first for Presbyterian men, but now is made up of men and women, lay and ordained, and from different denominations ranging from Quakers to Roman Catholics.

Today's jubilee celebrations will be attended by Mrs Leah Tutu, wife of Bishop Desmond Tutu, who arrived by helicopter yesterday.

Concern over seal virus

Scientists have taken samples from seals off the British coast to see if a killer virus has spread to our shores. The virus, thought to be similar to the common cold or flu, has caused disease, has already claimed the lives of thousands of seals around Europe's beaches.

Staff at the Sea Mammal Research Unit in Cambridge have travelled to the Wash to collect seals in both captured and the wild. Blood samples have been sent to laboratories in Denmark and Britain for analysis at Dutch and British laboratories to see if the virus has spread to Britain. If it has, as many of the 7,000 common seals and 5,000 grey seals in British waters could be at risk

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

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And Jesus goeth up into a mountain and calleth unto him whom he would, and they came unto him. St Mark 3.13.

## BIRTHS

**ALLEN** - On July 22nd, at 14.45, to Kathy (Hagan and Peter, a daughter, Orlanda Katia Hagan, a sister for Jaimie.

**ALLFREY** - On August 1st, to Fiona (née Burgess) and David, a daughter, Olivia.

**BADHAM-THORNHILL** - On August 2nd, to Angela and Robin, a girl, Polly Emma.

**BUCHAN** - On July 30th at St. Thomas's Hospital, to Fiona (née Carlisle) and Edward, a daughter, Laura, a sister to William and Annabel.

**DELANY** - On August 3rd 1988, to Sheila (née Vere Nicoll) and Terence, a son, William John, a brother for Tatiana.

**DUCKWORTH** - On July 31st to Sarah (née Meyrick) and Hillary, a son Harry, a brother for Laura.

**EVANS** - On August 2nd, to Kay (née Dean) and Christopher, a daughter.

**EVANS** - On August 3rd, 1988 in Sydney, Australia, to Barbara (née Iverson) and Martin, a daughter, Lorna Amy Evans.

**FINDLAY** - On August 2nd, at Queen Charlotte's, to Henrietta (née Burton) and Alastair, a daughter, Tessa Caroline, a sister for Angus.

**FULLICK** - On 15th July, to Ann (nee Robinson) and Patrick, a son, Thomas Alexander Charles, a brother for William.

**GILBERT** - On August 1st to Serena (née Stafford) and Michael a son Christopher a brother for Sophie and Emma.

**HALLIDAY** - On July 30th to Joanna and Christopher a son Edmund Willoughby George, a brother for Frederick.

**HEGARTY** - On July 28th to Sheelah and Richard, a daughter Alice Laura, a sister for William and Jayne.

**KNOX** - On August 2nd to Philomena (née Mowlett) and Edmund, a son.

**LEANSE** - On July 22nd, in Gibraltar, to Judith (née Serruya) and Stephen, a son, Leon Gerald.

**LEVEY** - On August 1st to Philippa (née Brossard) and David, a daughter, Fiona Juliette.

**MAITLAND** - On August 2nd, to Lizzie Anne (née Ogilvy MacLean) and David, a son, Thomas.

**MALLINSON** - On August 2nd, to Lynette (née Kavanagh) and Jonathan, a daughter, Samantha Elizabeth.

**NEWMARK** - On July 31st to Lucy (née Keegan) and Brooks, a son, Benjamin Bridgman.

**OLSEN** - On July 20th in Jakarta, Indonesia, to Gayle (née Freeman) and Simon, a son, Philip Viggo.

**REEVES** - On July 30th 1988, to Tracey (née Porter) and Trevor, a daughter Theodora Violet, a sister for Amarinta.

**SANDEMAN** - On July 29th, in New York, to Julie (née Kazuko Kono) and Hugh, a son, Tomo Peter, a brother for Jun.

**SMITH** - On July 28th to Hilary (née Atkinson) and John a son, Max George, a brother for Sophie, Sarah and Charles.

**TYRRWHITT-DRAKE** - On Tuesday August 2nd, to Philippa and William, a brother for Edward.

## DEATHS

**ALLEN** - On July 31st at John Radcliffe Hospital, George Warner Allen, aged 72. Artist of Brightwell-cum-Sotwell. Fortified by the rites of Holy Church. Requiem Mass at St. John's Catholic Church, Wallingford 9.30am Saturday August 6th. Interment in Sotwell.

**ALLEN** - On Saturday 30th July suddenly at home Kenneth Henry, loved son of Henry of Colliptree & loved brother of Joan Daniell & Betty Crother. Cremation Tuesday 9th August - 1.30pm at Chilterns Crematorium Amersham. Enquiries to H.C. Grinstead Amersham 726130.

**BATCHELAR** - On August 1st, in hospital, Hubert Walters (Hal), beloved husband of Muriel. Cremation private but memorial service to be at Wycliffe College, Stonehouse, at a later date to be notified. No flowers please but donations welcomed by Asthma Research Council, 300 Upper Street, London N1 2XX.

**BINGHAM** - On July 6th 1988, Catriona Raynhilda, youngest daughter of Mr & Mrs Bloddart MacLellan of Meifort. Argyllshire beloved wife of Dermid Bingham and mother of 3 sons Dermid, Richard and Charles.

**BULLOCK** - On August 3rd, peacefully in hospital, Phoebe, beloved by Ray, Rachel and Ben. Cremation private, no flowers, donations if desired to Bristol Cancer Help Centre.

**COCHRANE** - On July 26th, peacefully at Minarloch, Aboyne, Aberdeenshire, aged 94, Colonel Alex G. Cochrane, M.B.E., lovingly husband of Linka and much loved father of Michael Preston.

**CROSS** - On August 2nd, 1988, peacefully at home, after a long illness, Professor John Arthur, dearly loved and devoted husband of Maureen and very dear and loving father of Helen, Ann and Julia. The funeral service will take place at Cheltenham Crematorium Chapel on Wednesday 10th August at 3.00pm. Family flowers only please but donations, if desired, to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, 123 Lincoln's Inn Fields, London WC2A 3PX.

**DANSEY** - On July 30th 1988, suddenly at his home in Guernsey, Cyril Maurice, M.B.E. aged 78 years. Retired Director of Samuel Montagu & Co.Ltd, much dearly loved husband of Hilda. Funeral Service at The Enfield Crematorium on Wednesday 10th August at 2.00pm. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to The British Heart Foundation.

**GLEADELL** - On August 3rd, at home, Major General Paul, C.B, C.B.E, D.S.O, husband of Mary, father of Virginia, Katrina, Giles and Colin. Requiem Mass Wednesday August 9th, Holy Trinity Church, Dorchester at 11.30am afterwards at Downwood Lodge Higher Came. Family flowers only.

**JESTY** - On Tuesday August 2nd 1988, peacefully at Brighton General Hospital, Dr Leslie Connock Jesty, a father, grandfather, mentor and above all a friend. We will always remember you with love and affection. Richard and Lizzie, Ann Price, Lorna and Ian, Vicki, Kate and Peter, and Simon and Linda. Funeral service Downs Crematorium, Brighton, Monday August 8th, at 3.30 pm. Flowers to Attree & Kent Ltd, 106 Church Road, Hove.

**LOUDON** - On August 2nd, at Goring-on-Thames, Kathleen aged 96, widow of the late John Loudon of Glasgow, youngest daughter of the late F.J. Waring C.M.G. Cremation Service at Oxford Crematorium on Monday, August 8th at 2.45 pm.

**McGEACHY** - On July 27th 1988, at Glasgow, Alice, wife of William and mother of Iain and Alistair.

**MEDLAM** - On Tuesday August 2nd, 1988, at the Westminster Hospital, peacefully, after a long hard fight, Louis Oliver Simon much loved husband of Brigid (née Tangney). Dear brother of Jemima and beloved uncle of Toby, Harriet, Bart and Alex. Funeral service on Monday August 8th at 1.30pm at St. Osmond R.C. Church, 77 Castelnau, Barnes SW13, followed by private family burial. No flowers please, but donations to the Westminster Hospital Melanoma Fund.

**MESSERLIAN** - On August 1st 1988, peacefully at home after a long illness, borne with immense courage, Fiona Elisabeth, aged 25 years. Much loved daughter of Brenda and David and sister to Jonathan. A brave and beautiful person, she will be greatly missed by her many friends. Funeral service at Holy Trinity, Brompton, on Monday August 8th at 10.30am. Flowers and enquiries to Kenyons, 81-83 Westbourne Grove, London W2. 01 723 3277

**OXLEY** - On August 1st, 1988, peacefully at Noble's Hospital Isle of Man, Robert Frederick Oxley aged 78, Founder of Oxley Developments Company, Priory Park, Ulverston. Darling husband of Ann Shirley and dearly beloved brother of Lilian Funeral service to be held at St. Cuthbert's Parish Church, Aldingham, Ulverston, Cumbria, on Monday August 8th, at 1.30pm. Floral tributes to Messrs. Little and Caine, 96 Market Street, Dalton-In-Furness, Cumbria.

**PRICE** - On August 1st, in hospital at Winchester, Mary Audrey, widow of Charles George Tolmbleby Price late of Hastings. Beloved mother of Bruce and Jennifer and Step mother of Joy. Funeral service at Hastings Crematorium on Tuesday August 9th at 2.30pm.

**RIDGWAY** - On August 3rd, peacefully at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Jean and George Mellde, in Episkopi Village, Limassol, Cyprus, Phyllis, after a long illness. Widow of the Late George E.Ridgway, daughter of the late Cecil and Jane Hay, beloved mother of Jean and Andrew and a much loved grand mother and great grandmother.

**SANDFORD** - on 3rd August, peacefully at Newark, Isabel Sophie Jacqueline in her 94th year

**SCOTT-MASON** - On July 30th at 3.30am, Michael Scott-Mason peacefully at home Edith Road, London, with his family and closest friends. Survived by his devoted parents Dorothy and Frank Smith of Aberdeen and Mr Paul Little of London. Immortal man alone represents the truth of creation, will miss you Mike.

**SEABROOK** - On Saturday July 30th, early in the morning, at peace, Burke (Gillian) Seabrook (née Benton) wife of David Robert Seabrook, mother of Rachel and Emily, only daughter of Grace Benton and the late Eric Benton - a loved and loving woman. Funeral 2.00 pm Friday 5th August at Albert Munn Chapel, Kettering Crematorium. Family flowers only. Gifts, if desired, to Leicester Haematology - Research Unit, Leicester Royal Infirmary. Inquiries to Benton 0608-61175.

**SOUTHALL** - On August 1st 1988, suddenly but peacefully at home, in his 78 year, Christopher Readhead, (Chris), loving and much loved husband of Jewel and dear father of Juliet, April and Tina. Cremation at Robin Hood, Solihull on Friday August 5th at 3.00 p.m. Family flowers only please, but donations for The British Heart and Stroke Association may be sent to A.P. Taylor Funeral Services Ltd., Wolverhampton Rd South, Birmingham B32 2AY. Memorial on August 19th at 4.00 p.m. at the Friends Meeting House, 6 Sandhills Rd, Barnt Green, Worcs.

**TAYLOR** - On Tuesday August 2nd, peacefully after a long illness, Leslie Tilden, much loved father, grandfather, and friend of many. Funeral Service to be held at 9.45am on Friday, 5th August at Enfield Crematorium. All flowers to The Co-Op Funeral Service, 113-119 Lancaster Road, Enfield, Middlesex.

**VERNON-WENTWORTH** - On August 1st, peacefully following a long illness, Doris Mary, widow of Derrick. Funeral service at Golders Green Crematorium (West Chapel), Thursday, August 11th at 2.30 pm. No flowers by request. Donations, if desired, to Distressed Gentlefolks Association, Vicarage Gate, London, W8

**WARNER** - On August 3rd, suddenly, John Kenneth Warner M.C., T.D., of Tunbridge Wells, much loved husband, father and grandfather. Private cremation. Service of Thanksgiving to be announced later. No flowers but donations may be sent to The British Epilepsy Association, Anstey House, 40 Hanover Square, Leeds LS3 1BE.

**WHALEY** - On Friday 29th July, William Charles Forsyth, Surgeon Commander R.N.V.R., Dental Surgeon, late Connaught Square, London W2. Beloved by all. Cremation Monday August 8th, 11.45 am, Bedford Chapel, Golders Green. Flowers to the Chapel.

**WORRALL** - On August 1st 1988, peacefully, Anthony Charles, M.C. Funeral 3.30 pm, Saturday August 6th at St. Joseph's Church, Avon Dassett.

**WRIGHT** - On August 3rd 1988, peacefully at Knowle House Retirement Home, Harcombe, Sidmouth, Devon. Helen Mary (Ella), aged 95 years. Funeral service at the United Reformed Church, Primley Road, Sidmouth, on Tuesday August 9th at 2.15 pm, followed by cremation at Exeter.


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THEATRE

## Curve broken

### Artist Descending a Staircase
King's Head Theatre

Originally a radio play, Stoppard's typically ingenious piece has now had an interval rammed into its middle, and, although fringe theatres do have to sell drinks, an artistic error is still an error. As written, the play curves gracefully from the present day (1972), back through a sequence of scenes to 1914 and forward again along the same route, to finish almost exactly where it begins. To break the curve at the far point even for the sake of a refilled glass during the second, much shorter, half, is an irritation that should be corrected at once.

Unlike Duchamp's "Nude Descending" – wittily alluded to around the back of Martin Chitty's set – Stoppard's Artist has descended once and for all, and is lying with a broken neck at the bottom. How he came to be there is disclosed at the finish, but this whodunit business is only the lead-in to a defter story of three artists, painter, sculptor and musician, and the blind girl who loved one of them, mistaking him for one of the others.

As originally written, the play resourcefully dug into the box of radio tricks, making denouements depend upon characters being variously blind to reality, actually or metaphorically. Sophie (Sarah Woodward) goes to live with the artist she saw, in the last days of her sight, standing in front of a painting of black railings against snow, not realizing that the man she really loved was the one standing in front of white boards painted against black.

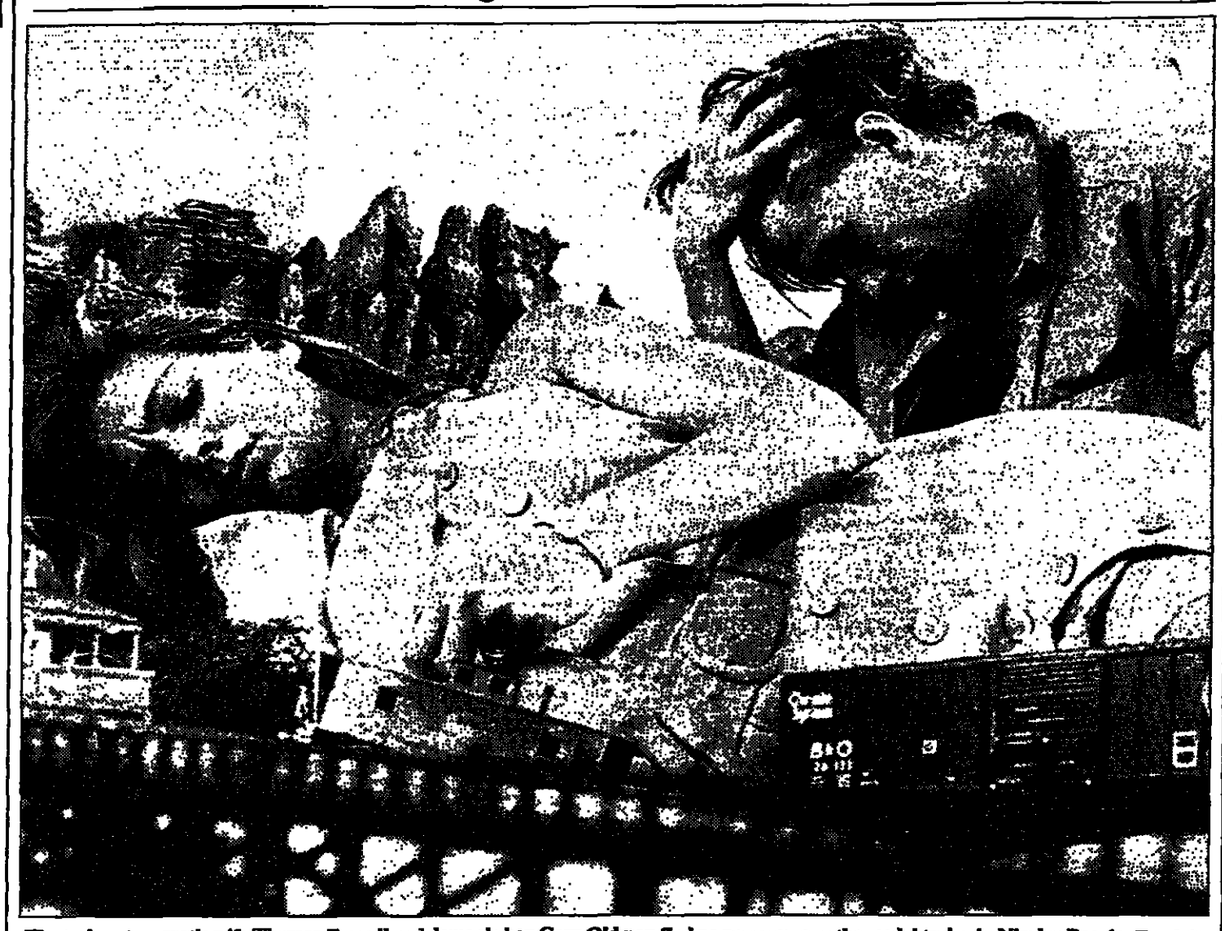
The transfer to the stage brings more gains than losses. But the scene changes are awkward and the joke of a man seemingly on horseback who turns out to be clacking coconut shells is a different and lesser joke when you see him wielding the coconuts from the beginning.

A great gain is the visible anguish of the rejected young men, contrasting with the face of the unimpressed victor. Tim Luscombe's direction is aided by the quite extraordinary physical likenesses between the three young actors playing the 1914 characters, and the older three who play them 60 years on. The stricken John Warnaby will undoubtedly grow into Frank Middlemass; the suavity of young Gareth Tudor Price becomes coarser but remains destructive in the mature Peter Copley; and the old bumbler (William Lucas) is foreshadowed in the youthful Karl James, whose eccentric map-reading leads a holiday walking party into the opening battle of World War One.

This scene's thematic link with the rest of the play may be slender but it is sublimely comic to watch the young men rationalizing the irruption of troop carriers and soldiers digging trenches – "Pipelines?" – until the bombardment explodes around their astonished, still unbelieving faces.

**Jeremy Kingston**

**David Robinson** sees Nic Roeg and Dennis Potter trading in comic strip Freud



The train set: neurotic wife Theresa Russell and demonic boy Gary Oldman find no peace among the model trains in Nicolas Roeg's *Track 29*

# Are they kidding?

CINEMA

### Track 29 (15)
Lumière St Martin's Lane

### Hawks (15)
Odeon Haymarket

In **Track 29** we have a collaboration between Dennis Potter as writer and Nicolas Roeg as director. They are evidently sympathetic temperaments. Both are intrigued by the shadow side of the psyche, by sex and violence in combination, by reversion to infantilism. This is the stuff of *Track 29*.

It is essentially a playful essay on infantilism, comic strip Freud. When they are not bickering, which is mostly, Linda (Theresa Russell) and Henry (Christopher Lloyd) habitually communicate in baby talk. Henry is given to retreating to his attic, full of model trains; and is the leading light in a society of like-minded train layout enthusiasts. At the geriatric hospital where he works, he enjoys having his bottom spanked by the rubber-gloved hands of Nurse Stein (Sandra Bernhard). Linda, for her part, fills the bedroom with baby dolls.

Hitch-hiking into town is a very odd English youth (Gary Oldman), wearing a kind of baby bonnet, recurrently lapsing into baby talk, and from time to time yelling in anguish for his mother. In a diner, Linda meets the boy – called Martin, like the very similar interloper in *Brimstone and Treacle*, Potter's banned and subsequently screened television play. Thereafter Martin invades her life, accusing and abusing her, sexually teasing and tempting, insisting he is the child she abandoned 20 years ago, a bastard spawned by a passing carnival man who had the word "Mother" tattooed on his chest.

Both Potter and Roeg delight in gratuitous mystification. At first other people see Martin, but later he seems to exist only in Linda's mind, though the twisted and agile thoughts he expresses could hardly be the product of her stunted intellect.

As the plot progresses, the games of now-you-see-it-now-you-don't grow more complex, leaving the viewer at the end with a wide-open choice of possibilities. He is left, moreover, to puzzle on his own why Linda, a woman remade by the therapy of the strange visitor, strange events and the possibility that she has (or has not, as the case may be) committed murder, suddenly emerges in Fifties' costume having hitherto been dressed in normal contemporary style. This kind of wilful mystification is more in the nature of Roeg than Potter, who generally favours a tidier sort of resolution.

Theresa Russell, increasingly resembling Louise Fletcher in looks and style, is an authentically neurotic Linda; though it is Gary Oldman's demonic boy who compels most of the attention.

Roeg and Potter, it must be said, have also in common the sleight-of-hand of very proficient entertainers: Potter with the serpentine entanglements of his dialogue; Roeg with the surprises of his images and the speed and complexities of his narrative editing. With each of them, it is only afterwards that the spectator finds himself asking what, if anything at all, it was all about.

*Track 29* ends up in fact as a rather odd, between-two-stools film (significantly it has hung about since last year waiting for release), offering rather less than the modicum of excitement for an exploitation thriller; but equally falling rather short of expectations of art-house product.

*Hawks* revives the dying-from-cancer movie, recently in vogue (more, one imagines, with film makers than filmgoers); but taking it uncomfortably into the realms of black farce.

It starts off reasonably soberly, promising something on the lines of *Whose Life is it Anyway?*, with the encounter of an eccentric English solicitor of sardonic humour (Timothy Dalton) and a suicidal American football player (Anthony Edwards) in the terminal cancer ward. Predictably the Englishman, who is an older hand at dying, bullies and cajoles the other into facing what is left of his life with courage and defiance.

Abruptly, however, the script takes a turn for the worse and careers off into the nether-netherland of British comedy (the writer, Roy Clarke, is a veteran of television series comedy), as the lads steal an ambulance and go off to Amsterdam – presented as the Englishman's erotic Mecca – for a final fling: in the mythology of film comedy, terminal invalids, like schoolboys, are possessed by the compulsion to get laid. As arbitrary as the rest of the film is the production of an odd couple of English girls (Janet McTeer and Camille Coduri) to provide the ultimate, if offbeat, emotional solace.

By this time the film is sliding all over the place, its alternation of comic and heavy emotional tone quite out of control. The director was Robert Ellis Miller (who had better luck with *Reuben, Reuben*); the idea of a kind of *Carry on in the Cancer Ward* originated with BeeGee Barry Gibb and his writing partner David English, Ian Botham's companion on his charity fund-raising Hannibal walk.

# Tasteful tedium

TELEVISION

**Screenplay – Eskimos Do It** (BBC2) gave the standard bedpan drama a newish wrinkle. Instead of coaching the neophyte Mrs Bing (Jean Boht) in the art of facing terminal cancer with fortitude, Mrs Dewey (Liz Fraser) showed her by example how to long for release through suicide. In the end the former, being more mobile, achieved this goal for them both, which conveyed a left-handed species of heroism to balance the grumbling righteous subtext of NHS under-funding.

Jim Barton's stagey script emitted few clues to the particular identity of his creatures as distinct from their function in his jigsaw, which was all too apparent. If anything held the audience it will have been the promise of a climactic euthanasia party *chez* Mrs B where, surrounded by her family and a lethal stockpile of morphine and "mother's ruin", the mother did a Captain Oates or (see title) an Inuit. Tastefully and damagingly, the party went unshown when it might have redeemed the preceding hour of well-acted tedium.

The second leg of **Armada** (also BBC2) showed more teeth than Monday's opener. Concentrating on the technical aspects of the great fleet's progress up the Channel, we met sundry coastguards, boatbuilders and tidal rips. Stuck with unhandy vessels and still waiting for the ship-to-shore radio to be invented, the Spanish captains must have rued the standing proscription on swearing and blasphemy on board.

We can be sure that Frobisher's "rabble" turned the air blue when Drake sneaked off to claim a crippled galleon for his own profit, but this earnestly informative series has so far made too much of its debunking brief in a whole summer of such activity. Were you surprised to learn, for instance, that the story of Drake's cannonball circling the globe to thwart his wife's bigamy is actually a myth?

**Martin Cropper**

# Wealth of women

DANCE

### Kirov Ballet
Business Design Centre, Islington

A charmless but adequate auditorium has been constructed inside the Business Design Centre, which is off Upper Street by Islington Green. The audience of 3,500 has to use one small entrance so arrive early. The show is well worth seeing.

It lasts three hours, beginning with *Les Sylphides*, in which the women are all good, but Yevgeny Neff, in the solitary man role on Tuesday night, had to rely more on style than technique. The company seems hard hit by a recent injury to Alexander Lenyev, who was due for several leading roles.

The climax at the end is the divertissement from *Paquita*, here enlarged to include some extra solos. So you have no fewer than six big solos in a row, nicely contrasted and producing a crescendo of effect as some of the company's brightest young hopefuls (Julya Makhalina and Veronika Ivanova in the second and third entries), are succeeded by the more experienced Yelena Yevteyeva, Tatyana Terkhova and Olga Chenchikova.

Add in the *pas de trois*, little seen in Britain, which provides roles for a further group of soloists, with some of Petipa's liveliest dances for the supporting ensemble of women, and you have a most exhilarating sequence. But there is very little male dancing in it; less than in their Paris season last winter, again presumably because of Lunyev's absence.

Still, the middle part of the evening included Ruzimatov with Asylmuratova in a slinky, glamorous version of the *Don Quixote* duet, and two lively lads named Igor Petrov and Andrei Garbuz in a comic number created by the brothers Legat for *The Fairy Doll* in 1903.

DEE CONWAY



Yevgeny Neff: style not technique

There were also Irina Kolpakova, still marvellously delicate in movement in a duet from *Le Papillon*; Galina Mezentseva showing marvellously expressive arms in *The Dying Swan*; and Yevteyeva making much of a number where the gypsy, Esmeralda, has to dance at her lover's wedding to another.

Perhaps most interesting is the *pas de six* from *La Vivandière*, a brilliant display number with choreography by Arthur Saint-Leon. Sergei Vikharyev dances the male lead with splendid leaps and beats. All the publicity mentioned Irina Chistyakova as his partner, so it shows the Kirov's strength in young women that she was switched at this performance to the *Paquita pas de trois* and replaced with superb assurance and flying virtuosity by Yelena Pankova.

**John Percival**

# Final note is false

### Götterdämmerung
Bayreuth

OPERA

**Paul Griffiths finds the musically and dramatically convincing new Ring cycle undermined by its last image**

Harry Kupfer must have been quietly enjoying himself these last few days, being greeted by boos nowhere beyond the polite norm, and knowing all the while that the reaction was going to be very different when we got to the end of the cycle. For here, after the green laser Rhine has come flooding forward, the gold been recaptured and Hagen drowned, suddenly the chorus come rushing on, and it is hard to make out what is going on until – yes, a tableau.

There are five groups of ladies and gents in 1940s cocktail attire standing watching television sets, with their backs turned on a crowd of others flailing arms desperately as they stagger into the flames. Contrary to rumours that may already be circulating, there are no swastika-armbanded guards encouraging them in, but there might as well be. Finally a little boy helps a little girl away from the scene, and Alberich-Wotan (I will come to him later) turns his sombre look on the house.

The audience response was predictable in its noisy division – indeed, so predictable that one might wonder whether Kupfer had his eyes on producing a stage spectacle or an audience scandal. That suspicion alone detracts from his achievement, but one might well have other worries, such as the music being used against its will, such as the point is a pretty crude and dusty one to be making in 1988, such as the Holocaust is not something to be quoted for the sake of a *coup de théâtre*.

The ending also works, to return to smaller matters, specifically against this *Ring*, in suggesting that the whole point of the production is contained in its last 0.1 per cent, and in betraying a theatrical mind that has shown itself steadfast and intelligent, even if there have been a few clues to what we might expect.

Happily there is more evidence of Kupfer's high qualities in this *Götterdämmerung*, especially earlier in the third act. When Siegfried has told of Mime's death, Hagen in his pretended enjoyment tosses his spear to Gunther, who holds it for a moment appalled at being given responsibility, before Hagen snatches it contemptuously back. But at least Gunter has been alerted to what is going on: he holds Siegfried, uselessly, for the next portion of his narration, until Hagen clears the killing zone.

Then when Siegfried eventually falls for the last time it is so that he can be received into the pit that had opened at Wotan's cry of "das Ende!" in *Die Walküre*. Wotan himself then comes to kneel at the side of the bole, and Brünnhilde appears opposite him: this is an original and immensely powerful bringing together of the main actors in the *Ring* at its climax of catastrophe.

Indeed, not only is Wotan there but Alberich too, since by this stage Alberich has adopted the shabby grey coat of the Wanderer, just as Hagen has taken over the lustrous black and the spear of the *Walküre* Wotan. Individualities are disintegrating: this is something contained in the surface of the drama in Siegfried's masquerade as Gunther, and in the music in the more complex thematic metamorphoses of *Götterdämmerung*. But Kupfer's extension of the idea is striking and suggestive.

Hans Schavernoch's additions to his basic set are less useful here than in *Siegfried*: a high platform on metal stairways is well used for Hagen's dream and the oaths of Siegfried and Brünnhilde, but the surrounding screens and the Rhinemaidens' space vehicle are unnecessary. One only needs the runway, and the strong side lighting by Manfred Voss that makes this a *Ring* so much of silver reflections and deep shadows.

Among the cast, Deborah Polaski has trouble well before the last scene: Waltraud Meier's performance as Waltraute is almost embarrassing in showing what a voice of fine-tuned steel really sounds like.

Reiner Goldberg as Siegfried sounds bright but constrained and careless against the recent memory of Jerusalem in *Siegfried*. There is a ripe-toned Gutrune from Eva-Maria Bundschuh, a bleak, impassive Hagen from Philip Kang, and an appropriately wearied, bleached Alberich from Günter von Kannen.

The orchestral performance under Daniel Barenboim is now extraordinarily more firm and powerful, without losing the polyphony of recollections, contained in the motivic interplay: the accompaniment of Brünnhilde's memories in the second act is exemplary in this respect.

This is, then, a *Ring* of growing orchestral sureness, of generally fine and certainly well characterized singing, and of great scenic intensity suddenly nose-diving. In its final evening it also gives cause to celebrate the Bayreuth chorus, who perform a complicated production with total assurance while singing mightily.

They are also a strong feature of the *Parsifal* revival, which James Levine continues to conduct with very much the same cast as in his recording, but with Jerusalem urged by the wonderful Waltraud Meier to out-do himself in the middle act.

### John Hammond
Mean Fiddler

ROCK

**Following his appearance last weekend at the most successful Cambridge Folk Festival for 10 years, John Hammond this week delighted a select gathering in the more enclosed environs of the Mean Fiddler's Acoustic Room.**

**Now in his mid-forties, the American blues singer has survived a career during which great things have tended to remain hovering round the corner. He was an early collaborator with Robbie Robertson and Levon Helm of the Band and hobnobbed with those on the fringes of the Sixties' beat boom. But his purist passion for the blues has kept him away from the rock mainstream.**

**The striking feature of his performance was its intensity. Sitting alone on a stool, an acoustic guitar on his knee and a harmonica rack round his neck, he played and sang like a man possessed. One elegantly-shod foot bashed out an erratic tattoo on the wooden stage, while his fingers whacked out percussive picking and slide patterns on the guitar. Above corded neck muscles, his face contorted round the harmonica through which he blew pure high notes, pausing only momentarily to gulp for air, like a swimmer on the turn.**

**His warm, soulful voice was redolent of the white blues singing style of Peter Green, in a long engaging set boasting a wide range of tempos and styles within a traditional, country blues framework. The material was uniformly old: "Spoonful", "Come On In My Kitchen", "It Hurts Me Too", "I Can't Be Satisfied" and much more obscure items. Neither fashionable nor an originator, Hammond remains a dedicated and inspired archivist who is well worth a look.**

**David Sinclair**

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# BOOKS

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**Richard Holmes** looks at the latest biography of Lenin and reckons it is hot bortsch

# Red star in the sunset

LENIN
**The Man Behind the Mask**
*By Ronald Clark*
*Faber, £17.95*

Now then, comrades. The first biography of Lenin *(The Great Leader of the Worker's Revolution)* was published in September 1918, shortly after the unsuccessful attempt on the Great Leader's life. One bullet passed through his neck, the other just above his heart — the assassin, like Marat's, was a woman. Characteristically, Lenin was back at his desk in the Kremlin within three weeks; but he did not recover from the biography so quickly.

For it was then, as Ronald Clark observes, that the official cult of Vladimir Ilyich began in Russia, and the benign, all-seeing Father of the October 1917 Revolution (the man now in the mausoleum) was first created.

At the same time, the Western anti-cult was also beginning. It was well-summarized by the frothing diary entry made by the French Ambassador in Petrograd: "Lenin — utopian dreamer and fanatic, prophet and metaphysician, *blind to any idea of the impossible or absurd*, a stranger to all feelings of justice or mercy, violent, Machiavellian, and crazy with vanity . . ."

V.I. Lenin (1870-1924) is, in this sense, a man behind two masks: Russian saint and Western demon. Any biography written in this age of *glasnost* has to penetrate both pieces of political image-making. It also has to walk through the modern minefield of Kremlinology: there are more than 3,000 English-language studies, and issues like the New Economic Policy (1921) are still very hot bortsch.

Ronald Clark, who died last year, was not a Kremlinologist, or even a political biographer. But he was a super elucidator of those men — usually scientists — whose lives were driven by a single, dominating idea.

Beginning in 1968 with a brilliant portrait of the biologist and rationalist J.B.S. Haldane, he went on to write notably about Bertrand Russell (1975), Einstein (1979), Freud (1980), and Darwin (1984). Undaunted by massive sources, or highly technical materials, he produced large, plain, immensely readable accounts of the commanding intellectual endeavours of our age: the life stories, as it were, of Evolution, Relativity, or Psychoanalysis. He was also an expert on mountaineering; and the feel of an adventurous, slightly dogged ascent of some great peak, colours the *enthusiasm* of his sagas.

With *Lenin*, he applies the same, essentially popularizing approach to the great Revolutionary Idea that sustained the Bolshevik leader through 17 dreaming years of European exile, and seven of *hectic executive government*.


GLYNN BOYD HARTE

We are given character as destiny, with almost poetic force. Laying aside the "masks" of ideology (often with some naïvety) he has concentrated on "Lenin's charismatic personality, one of the most important keys to his success, [which] almost inevitably *tended to be swamped by his political victories.*"

The effect, for the non-specialist reader, is frequently startling and always fascinating. Lenin at the Folies-Bergères, or bicycling through France, or playing chess in Capri, or taking Bolsheviks to the London Zoo, or studying oratory at Speakers' Corner, or turning off lights in the Kremlin ("Communism is Soviet power plus electrification" — and don't waste it), or facing down the hostile fury of the Fifth Soviet Congress (July 1918), is always a riveting spectacle:

*Holding the lapels of his coat, he faces the audience — smiling, supremely self-confident. He is met with jeers and cat-calls. He laughs good-humouredly. Then he holds up his hand, and with a last rumble the tumult dies . . . He proceeds as calmly as though he were addressing a Sunday School meeting.*" (The witness here is British).

Lenin emerges as a man of humour, stoicism, and singular coolness — whether opening a parcel-bomb from Stalin (it was a water-melon), or showing Trotsky round Westminster Abbey. He was hard-working, spartan, and emotionally conservative. His marriage to Krupskaya (in Siberia) was a real partnership, even withstanding the red radiations of the dazzling, wide-eyed Inessa Armand (she expired working faithfully for the Party in the Caucasus).

He kept the plaid given him by his mother, and the bear-skin coat inherited from his father, until the day he died, in his bed, at Gorky. His one identifiable extravagance was a Rolls-Royce Silver Wraith, fitted with snow tracks to get him faster to the Kremlin in the winter.

Through all this, Clark wonderfully demonstrates Lenin's absolute dedication to the cause, a puritan single-mindedness that was perhaps his greatest quality. From the day in 1887 that his elder brother was executed for plotting against the Tsar, Lenin's psychological faith seems unshakeable.

Even Solzhenitsyn's brilliant, semi-fictional account of his disillusion, *Lenin in Zurich* (1978), is convincingly contradicted. Both inspirer and administrator (especially during the civil war), Lenin is finally compared not with the sea-green Robespierre, or the tempestuous Bakunin, but with that religious staff-officer and Jesuit, *St Ignatius of Loyola*. He awoke the Russians from their slumber, oppressed "Oblomovism", and set them on the march.

Yet Clark's account, by its very humanity, remains curiously partial. One is reminded of Edmund Wilson's admission, that in *To the Finland Station* he inadvertantly made Lenin "too amiable".

There is no critical analysis of Lenin's doctrinal obsession displayed in his two major books, *What is to be Done?* (1903) and *The State and Revolution* (1917). His headmasterly bossiness (his father was a school's inspector), his factionalism, are underestimated. Crucial questions, such as his deliberate use of the Red Terror, or his suppression of the Kronstadt soviet, are passed over too easily. The projection of the "international" revolution, which remained such a nightmare in Europe, is discounted. Great play is made of Lenin's administrative flexibility, *reculer pour mieux sauter*, without proper assessment of the political betrayals this frequently involved. His chilling ability to sign execution orders, while genially enquiring after a collegue's health, goes almost unremarked.

Most of all, perhaps, Clark overlooks the single greatest objection to Lenin's revolution as an historical phenomenon: that it made Stalinism possible, and the huge weight of totalitarian bureaucracy that *perestroika* is still seeking to dismantle. Though late documents, like the famous "Testament", do suggest that at the end of his life Lenin himself saw this approaching fatality.

This is not, then, such an assured and balanced biography as, say, *Freud*. But it is an enlightening one, which enables us to confront Lenin's unquestionable genius on something like realistic terms. That is worth having, especially today.

Like all Clark's mighty protagonists, Lenin was a relentless dreamer with fantastic executive abilities and determination. He once climbed to the top of a Swiss Alp with a lady companion, who was about to proclaim some suitable verses from Byron over the unearthly panorama below. "Vladimir Ilyich was sitting down, deep in thought. Suddenly he burst out: 'Hm, a fine mess the Mensheviks are making for us.'"

# French nick pics

CRIME

**Marcel Berlins**

● **The Eye of the Beholder**, by *Minette Martin (Faber, £10.95)*
A television journalist looking for French wartime collaborators stumbles on a recently dead body and on three possible fake La Tour paintings. Her obsessive, occasionally questionable, attempts to link the stories result in an entertaining, well-written, thoughtful first novel, good on research, atmosphere and brittle characters (though I could not believe in our heroine not knowing what J. Arthur denotes). An altogether admirable debut.

● **Bellringer Street**, by Robert Richardson (Gollancz £9.95)
The three years since his first, prizewinning, crimo have not *dimmed Richardson's wit or hero* Augustus Maltravers's style. Gus and sexy actress Tess are on hand when a famous skeleton disappears and Lord *Dunford is* terminally despatched with a cricket ball. Lots of good motives, some sparkling dialogue and a *genuinely chilling* post-solution twist.

● **Dead on Time**, by H. R. F. Keating (Hutchinson £10.95)
Exceptionally cleverly constructed mystery in which time, clocks and watches play a crucial role not just in the usual alibi/time of death context but in all the attendant social and personal relationships. Inspector Ghote investigates a killing in the Tick Tock Watchworks with his usual fretful astuteness, carrying Keating's message that attitudes to time reflect attitudes to life.

● **The Cold Light of Dawn**, by Graham Ison *(Macmillan, £9.95)*.
The author was a real-life high-ranking copper, and it shows in his mastery of police procedure. A young Englishwoman's body is washed up on Brittany beach. Inquiries into her past reveal a myriad of past lovers (of both sexes) and an unwelcome security angle. Detective Chief Inspector Tipper and sidekick Markham struggle through to the truth. Enjoyable, old-fashioned first novel.

# Combobulation in South Carolina

FICTION

**Stuart Evans**

RICH IN LOVE
**by Josephine Humphreys**
*Collins Harvill, £10.95*

THE CHINESE EMPEROR
**By Jean Lévi (translated by Barbara Bray)**
*Viking, £12.95*

REPETITION
**by Peter Handke (translated by Ralph Manheim)**
*Methuen, £12.95*

THE ARK SAKURA
**by Kobo Abé (translated by Juliet Winters Carpenter)**
*Secker & Warburg, £11.95*

At 17, Lucille Odom, rich in love, gifted with what she calls "invision," is one of an untroubled family with whom all is right in an indifferently naughty South Carolina world. Then her mother, unexpectedly, walks out. They become discombobulated. Soon after, her beautiful, clever sister returns home married, pregnant and a shade of her former self. Lucille works to make everyone combobulate again: until her own usually crystal perspective is clouded by private passions.

The alienation of the mother and later dissociation of the prettier sister are not presented as strident feminist declarations of independence, but cogently explained as this glowing novel moves at a precise pace, through genuine surprises to a fitting conclusion. Rich in character and circumstance, it is thoroughly enjoyable.

Lucille's author observes that "metaphysical truth is beyond the scope of the human brain". *The Chinese Emperor* bears witness: especially where metaphysics merges with politics. These cleverly arranged chronicles of Sih Huang Tih, unifier of China, builder of the Great Wall, inspiration of those clay armies which in turn inspired the BBC and an Archbishop, are not so much an historical novel as an exploration of political horror. Jean Lévi's illuminating afterword describes in detail their provenance. A survivor of the Cultural Revolution, his study of the mechanics, ethics (if such they be) and mystique of political intrigue is absorbing — even when it demands exacting concentration as to who is exactly fiddling whom.

When the story moves, it moves fast. At its most serious, the book is a comprehending, almost comprehensive, commentary on totalitarian governance, based on collective denunciation and propaganda. All the tyrants and dictators of history with their attendant bureaucrats flit in reflection against the adamantine, infernal wall, trailing others less complaisantly recognized. "Individuals", wrote the terrifying Li Ssu, "must at all costs be prevented from becoming masters of their own time and lives ... Anything that stands out from the normal must be sawed or hacked off." Bring back the Anderson shelters: lay in your clay figurines.

"And then ..." As the author of *Repetitions* might have it. There is that certain slant of fictional light where metaphysical grumbling becomes mystical certainty. His Filip Kobal sets out in search of a revered elder brother, Gregor, reluctant conscript into a sub-Hitlerian army, subsequent deserter, possible Yugoslav partisan. In his slow — *very* slow — transmigration across the Austro-Slovene border, armed with the student notes of his agrophilic brother and a German-Slovene dictionary, Filip discovers the intricacies of a family, nationality, culture, history and language.

At first, there is a touching evocation of a boy growing up, beginning to understand and love his family; than a genuinely interesting investigation of the nature of language: the way that words explore ideas and emotions once they must be translated into alien experience. Finally, the middle-aged, self-conscious writer tries to recapture the mystic transports of an immature man in the arid limestone plateau of the Yugoslav Karst, inhabited by the merriest peasants, while failing to communicate the joy of elevated thought which he is perhaps *pursuing too earnestly. The Filip* of the story acknowledges that he is looking less for a fact than a phantom who will become a *fiction. He suggests that other holy* storytellers might well travail in his wake.

Complexities of engineering *and topographical detail in The Ark Sakura* offer few outlets of meaning let alone light or air from a labyrinthine underworld of foetid, misanthropic dank.

Mole, curiously sympathetic, is an obese, very ugly, semi-recluse. He was once cruelly tortured by his monstrous father, so receded into inventive convolutions of self-defence which hint at a malignly innocent genius. He has slowly converted an old quarry into an ark.

Now he is selecting a crew, designating those he will choose as survivors. Mole falls prey to a confidence trickster, his "shill" (the decoy who makes the trick convincing) and the shill's girl. Sex, thus, rears its ugly head or (as this tale would have it) pretty ass in the caverns of an impenetrable plot focused around a *superloo*. Honestly. The logic, for what it's worth, is meticulous. There is a geriatric "Broom Brigade", a regi*ment of anarchic punks*. Holy, endemic, social war. Satire which is not so much arterial as capilliary. Thrombotic. On page *281, the Shill says he is "sick of ...* too many damned complications". So may the reader be. And even the author, who not long *after appears to take an easy way* out of the fastness, leaving many characters adrift.

## NEW BOOKS

*The Deputy Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:*

**Bollinger** — Tradition of a Champagne Family, by Cyril Ray (Heinemann, £12.95). Humphrey Lyttelton once proposed the term *"Bollingering" as a pleasanter alternative to afternoon "malingering".*

**The Monster Book of Monsters**, edited by Michael O'Shaughnessy (Xanadu, £9.95). 50 stories, from Aliens to Zombies, by way of *The Lop-Eared Cat that Devoured Philadelphia*, and *The Man Who Liked Dickens* by Evelyn Waugh.

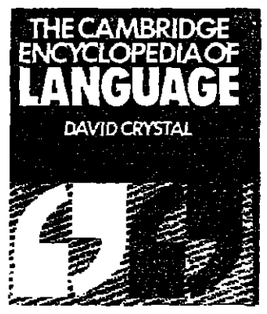
**Players of Shakespeare 2**, edited by Jackson and Smallwood (Cambridge, £15). Essays by RSC actors. Darlings, you were all wonderful.

**The Collector's Encyclopedia of Metal Toys**, compiled by Richard O'Neill (Salamander, £16.95). Including the old Dinky set of racing cars (HWM, Talbot-Lago, Ferrari, Alfa Romeo and Cooper Bristol), which once graced many a sand-pit.

**The Swinging Sporran**, by Andrew Campbell and Roddy Martine (Michael Joseph, £6.95). How to do Scottish Dancing. The Dashing White Sergeant revealed; the Gay Gordons laid bare; the secrets of Strip The Willow.


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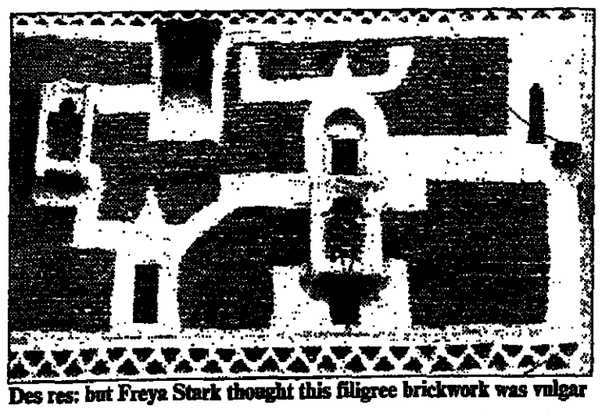
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THE TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT


# A paradise rewritten


Des res: but Freya Stark thought this filigree brickwork was vulgar

**Jennifer Potter**

ARABIAN MOONS
Passages in Time Through Yemen
**By Maria and Pascal Maréchaux**
*Kegan Paul, £35*

Freya Stark complained about the roads, but found the long rolling *plains and blue tumbled* hills of North Yemen too beautiful for words. The images in *Arabian Moons* convey better than the text this most majestic landscape, which stretches from the hot dusty plains of the Red Sea to the precipitous man-made terraces and hill-top villages, perched like fortified eyries on the pinnacles of the jagged highlands, and down *again to the Empty Quarter.*

The beauties of the Yemen landscape and architecture are known from Pascal Maréchaux's earlier photographs, *Arabia Felix, The Yemen and its People*, (Thames and Hudson 1980). This *new work crosses into the interiors* of those extraordinary houses, which Stark unfairly dismissed as either vulgar, in their plastered ornament, or miserable little conglomerations of stone cubes. Most revealing are the faces of *women in a country where the* majority are heavily veiled and altogether unwilling to be photographed. They indicate the measure of trust patiently won by the Maréchaux in their 12 years of travel.

The text by ethologist Dominique Champault is generally informative, but humourless and irritating: "Water is life", we learn. "Like the heartbeat of a man, it is the pulse of a mountainside, flowing freely underground."

Structure is pretentious too: three sequences of images organized around a day, a year, the centuries. Only the first, centred on a wedding party has any proper coherence, and, although concerned with the passage of time, the photographs stop short of confronting the present.

The text hints at Western influences: pre-recorded tapes of the call to prayer; television in the men's *mafraj* or upper room where they gather to chew *qat*, a narcotic shrub that looks and tastes like privet. But one has to search hard for any suggestion of the new in the photographs: a stainless steel wrist-watch worn among wedding finery; a safety pin holding in place a veil of artificial pearls; a neon light.

The Maréchaux frame everything with discretion, avoiding the new world of honking Toyatas and Yahamas. Just outside their elegantly lit photographs lies a 20th-century coating of plastic water bottles, tin cans, and plastic bags that can turn the centres of even the remotest villages into wind-blown rubbish tips.

# Whale blues

**Martin Cropper**

WHALE NATION
**By Heathcote Williams**
*(Jonathan Cape £15)*

Meville found them awesome, Polonius thought on balance they rather resembled clouds. Domestic animals love them, suitably reduced and spooned out of tins. In a dog-eat-whale world the former is a parasite on man and man is a parasite on the latter. Who will now stand up for plankton?

*No less a figure than the Poet* Laureate has pronounced this book "a steady accumulation of grandeur and dreadfulness", and if we allow the grandeur to apply to the photographs and the dreadfulness to the text there can surely be no argument. Cetaceans are almost wilfully photogenic, even when spark out beneath the spiked boots of the flensing crew; indeed, *it is only in visible proximity to* humans that their prodigious bulk makes sense.

Heathcote Williams disapproves of anthropocentricity, and this disapproval is both a romantic nonsense (how many whales disapprove of cetaeocentricity?) and a recurrent technical problem. In order to convey his grand theme — the primordial intelligence, pacific conduct and Malthusian probity of an oceanwise genus — the author can only contrast his subject with his reader. Look at the whale. See how much bigger its brain is than yours (six times — but its body is 15 *times larger: does this not make it* rather under-brained?). The whale is not declaring war or polluting the atmosphere. *Good* whale.

This fairly unremitting kindergarten moralism is couched in large-print "poetry" of which E. J. Thribb might be proud. "Like *Buddhists,/ They are not compul*sive eaters./ They can go for eight months without food; /And they do not work to eat. /They play to eat."? Leaving aside the left-field intervention of Oriental feeding habits, with its weird implied slur on non-Buddhists, what precisely is gained by splitting the sentences thus? And where are the qualities of rhythm, assonance, linguistic awareness that distinguish poems from recipes or health warnings? It has been alleged that this sort of thing has didactic, or at any rate propagandist, power, but then so do advertising slogans.

Still, every age needs its noble savage, and the whale is as worthy a candidate as any. The second half of the volume forms a useful digest of source material from Aristotle to 1980s Greenery, and its steady accumulation of fact and speculation goes some way towards *making a book rather than a* publishing event.

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## THEATRE

### LONDON

☆ **BABES IN ARMS:** "My Funny Valentine", "Lady is a Tramp", and other favourites in high-spirited Rodgers/Hart musical.
**Open Air Theatre,** Regents Park, NW1 (01-486 2431). Tube: Baker Street. In repertory with *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *The Winter's Tale*. Mon-Sat 7.45pm; mats on Wed and Sat 2.30pm. £4.50-£11.

☆ **BLOOD BROTHERS:** Return of Willy Russell's Best Musical of 1983, with Kiki Dee as the mother of twins who gives one away and lives to regret it.
**Albery Theatre,** St Martin's Lane, WC2 (01-836 3878). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Sat 7.45-10.45pm, mats Thurs 3-6pm, and Sat 4-7pm. £6.90-£16.50.

☆ **DON'T GO AWAY MAD:** US actor Michael Moriarty in first production over here of William Saroyan's hospital play of 1948.
**Donmar Warehouse,** 41 Earlham St, WC2 (01-240 8230). Tube: Covent Garden. Press night tonight, 7-9.45pm. Then Mon to Sat 7.30-10.15; mats Wed and Sat 3-5.45pm, £6-£11.

☆ **HAPGOOD:** Puzzling new Tom Stoppard play. Spies, physics and misunderstandings; with Nigel Hawthorne, Roger Rees, Felicity Kendal and Iain Glen.
**Aldwych Theatre,** Aldwych WC2 (01-836 6404). Tube: Covent Garden. Mon-Fri 7.30-10.30pm, Sat 8-11pm, mats Wed 2.30-5.30 and Sat 4-7pm, £5-14.50.

☆ **THE RECRUITING OFFICER:** Jim Broadbent as rascally Sgt Kite in a strongly cast production of Farquhar's tough comedy.
**Royal Court Theatre,** Sloane Square, SW1 (01-730 1745, cc 01-836 2428). Tube: Sloane Square. Mon £4, Thurs-Sat £5-£12. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm; mats Sat 4-6.30pm.

☆ **TOO CLEVER BY HALF:** Aden Gillett plays the honey-tongued rascal in marvellously inventive production of Ostrovsky's satiric comedy.
**Old Vic,** Waterloo Road, SE1 (01-928 7616). Tube: Waterloo. Mon-Fri 7.30pm, Sat 7.45pm, mats Wed 2.30 and Sat 4pm, £4-£14.

☆ **UNCLE VANYA:** Michael Gambon, Jonathan Pryce and Imelda Staunton splendid in Michael Blakemore's Chekhov revival.
**Vaudeville Theatre,** Strand, WC2 (01-836 9988). Tube: Charing Cross. Mon to Fri 7.45pm, Sat 8.30pm. Mats Wed 2.30, Sat 5pm, £7.50-£15.

### OUT OF TOWN

**STRATFORD:** ☆ **The Tempest:** John Wood in superb form as Prospero in fine production by Nicholas Hytner.
**Shakespeare Memorial Theatre,** (0789 295623). Mon-Sat 7.30-10.20pm, £4.50-£27.50.

**SCARBOROUGH:** ☆ **Eden's End:** Priestley's favourite of his plays: a doctor's prodigal daughter in Edwardian Yorkshire.
**Stephen Joseph Theatre-in-the-Round,** (0723 370541). Ends Sat, £4.80, children u16, £2.80.

### WORD-WATCHING

*Answers from page 18*

CYNEGETIS
(a) Hunting, the chase, from the Greek *kun-* dog, or rather hound, + *hegetes a leader*: *"There are extant of his in Greek four books of Cynegetics or venation."*
LIBANOPHOROUS
(b) Producing incense, scented, from the Greek *libanos* the frankincense-tree + *phoros* bearing: "He cradled his head to her neck, breathing her libanophorous hair."
DELPHINET
(b) A young dolphin, from the Latin *delphinus* a dolphin: "You cannot demand publicity on the part of a delphinet."
CAKE COURSE
(a) In US education an easy course taken at college, as in a piece of cake, or much of the GCSE.

## FILMS

■ Also on national release
☎ Advance booking possible

■ **CROCODILE DUNDEE II (PG):** Disappointingly flat sequel to the runaway Aussie hit, with Paul Hogan repeating his role as the king of the outback (112 min).
**Cannon Baker Street** (01-935 9772). Progs 2.00, 5.50, 8.30.
**Cannon Bayswater** (01-229 4149). Progs 3.00, 5.45, 8.30, 11.15.
**Cannon Edgware Road** (01-723 5901). Progs 2.45, 5.45, 8.30.
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 2.10, 6.30, 9.15.
☎ **Empire Leicester Square** (01-200 0200). Progs 12.15, 2.30, 4.45, 7.15, 9.30.
☎ **Plaza** (01-200 0200). Progs 12.15, 2.30, 4.45, 7.15, 9.30.

**DARK EYES (PG):** Soviet director Nikita Mikhalkov's superb adaptation of Chekhov. Filmed in Italy starring Marcello Mastroianni, with Silvana Mangano and Marthe Keller (117 min).
**Curzon Mayfair** (01-499 3737). Progs 1.15, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.

■ **DEADLY PURSUIT (PG):** Sidney Poitier returns to the screen after a decade's absence as an FBI veteran teamed with a backwoodsman in the pursuit of a murderous villain (110 min).
**Cannon Chelsea** (01-352 5096). Progs 2.00, 4.15, 6.45, 9.30.
**Warner West End** (01-439 0791) Progs 1.45,4.05, 6.25, 8.45.

**A MAN IN LOVE (18):** An American movie star and a fledgling actress have a turbulent affair in Rome. A romantic drama from French director Diane Kurys; with Peter Coyote, Greta Scacchi, Jamie Lee Curtis (110 min).
**Cannon Piccadilly** (01-437 35610). Progs 1.00, 3.25, 5.50, 8.15.
**Cannon Tottenham Court Road** (01-636 6148). Progs 1.40, 3.45, 6.05, 8.30.
**Chelsea Cinema** (01-351 3742). Progs 1.50, 4.05, 6.05, 8.45.

**MY GIRLFRIEND'S BOYFRIEND (PG):** The last in Eric Rohmer's series of *"Comedies and Proverbs"* — an ironic story of romance and confusion among young, talkative people, set in a Paris suburb (102 min).
**Camden Plaza** (01-485 2443). Progs 2.10, 4.20, 6.35, 8.50.

■ **THE UNBEARABLE LIGHTNESS OF BEING (18):** Philip Kaufman's massive and majestic adaptation of Milan Kundera's novel; a story of love and political consciousness set against the Russian invasion of Czechoslovakia. With Daniel Day-Lewis, Juliette Binoche, Lena Olin (172 min).
☎ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636). Progs 1.25, 5.00, 8.35.
**Curzon West End** (01-439 4805). Progs 1.30, 4.45, 8.00.

## ROCK

☆ **JOHN HAMMOND:** Veteran blues singer, guitar and harmonica player.
**Salisbury Arts Centre,** Bedwin Street (0722 21744). 8pm, £3.50-£4.

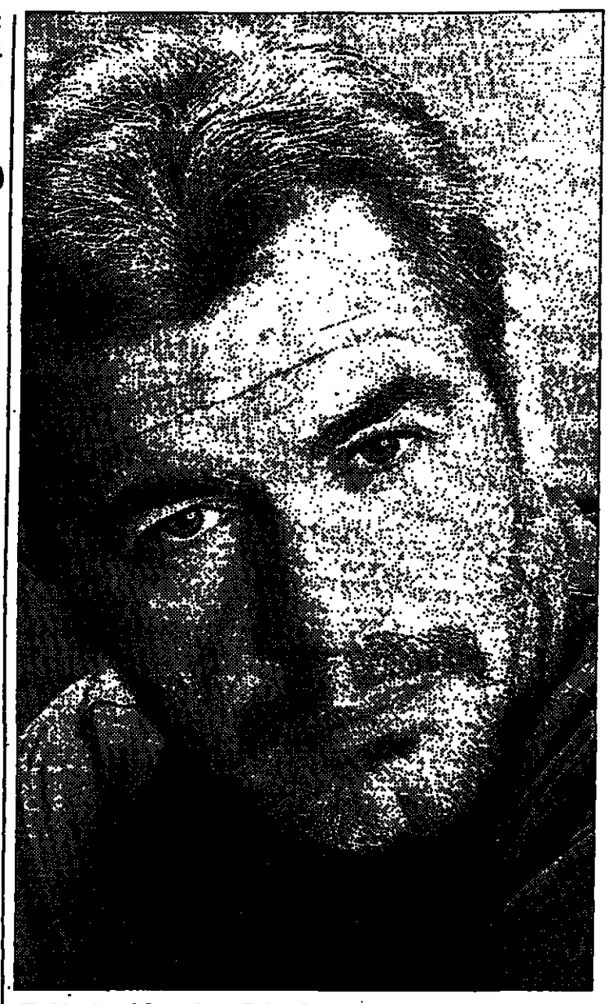
☆ **MARTIN STEPHENSON & THE DAINTEES:** Geordie pop songsmiths mark the release of a new single, "Wholly Humble Heart".
**Sadler's Wells,** Rosebery Avenue, London EC1 (01-278 8916). 7.30pm, £5.50-£6.50, for two nights.

☆ **SLADE THE LEVELLER:** Acoustic set by New Model Army singer/guitarist. Supported by poet companion Jooiz and the Rev Hammer.
**Acoustic Room, Mean Fiddler,** 24-28 Harlesden High Street, London NW10 (01-961 5490) 8pm, £4.

## JAZZ

☆ **LOOSE TUBES:** The jazz segment of the Summer in the City season continues with a performance by the eccentric 21-piece orchestra.
**Barbican Centre,** Silk St, London EC2 (01-638 8891). 7.45pm, £5 to £9.

☆ **SVEN KLANG'S COMBO:** Part of a season of jazz-inspired films, Stellan Olsson's bitter-sweet portrait of a small town band is one of the best films ever made about the jazz life. Coupled with "Jazz In Exile", featuring Dexter Gordon.
**Institute of Contemporary Arts,** The Mall, London SW1 (01-930 3647). 6.30pm £2.50, 75p day pass. Until Sat.









**Chekhovian riches: above, Brian Cox and (from top) Stella Gonet, Harriet Walter and Deborah Findlay**

# Sisters return in style

**Once again the three daughters of General Prozorov will stare out at the vast birch forests of provincial Russia and sigh for Moscow. John Barton's production at the Barbican is the Royal Shakespeare Company's first Chekhov for 10 years, and that was also *Three Sisters*, in a small scale touring version directed by Trevor Nunn. The new production will be the first Chekhov on the main stage and Barton's own début in the RSC's London home, although his joyous production of *The Rover* last season did transfer from Stratford for a successful run at the Mermaid. Brian Cox plays Vershinin, the philosophizing colonel whose arrival in the town marks the start of the play, and whose departure at the head of his regiment, with the sound of the band fading into the distance, brings the play to its unforgettable close. Deborah Findlay, Harriet Walter and Stella Gonet play the sisters, and Pippa Guard, their appalling sister-in-law. The new translation is said to be emphasizing shades of meaning neglected in other versions, although this would not be difficult in a text so allusive and subtle that its riches are well nigh inexhaustible. Barbican Theatre, Barbican Centre, EC2 (01-638 8891). Previews from tonight, 7.30 pm. Opens August 9, 7.00 pm. Prices £5 to £15.00.**
*Jeremy Kingston*

☆ **CHRIS WILLIAMS:** The altoist/flautist leads a quartet specializing in bebop and modal themes.
**Band On The Wall,** 25 Swan Street, Manchester (061 832 6625). Doors open 8.30pm, £2.50.

## CONCERTS

☆ **ALL HANDEL:** Denys Darlow conducts the London Handel Choir, London Handel Orchestra and many vocal soloists in Handel's *L'Allegro, Il Penseroso ed Il Moderato*.
**Albert Hall,** Kensington Gore, London SW7 (01-589 8212, cc 01-379 4444), 7.30pm, £3-£10.

☆ **PILGRIMS' COMFORT:** As another contribution to Pickett's Pageant the Hilliard Ensemble sings items from Dowland's last book of songs, *A Pilgrimes Solace*.
**Queen Elizabeth Hall,** South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 8pm, £3-£9.

## DANCE

☆ **GALLERY:** Graeme Murphy's latest creation for the Australian Ballet; also his *Beyond Twelve* and with the Sydney Dance Company, his *Shining*.
**Royal Opera House,** Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066) 7.30-10pm £1-£30.

☆ **LA BAYADERE:** Petipa's famous classic showpiece for the Kirov Ballet with *Aurora's Wedding* and several modern numbers by Béjart and others.
**Business Design Centre,** Upper Street, London N1 (01-836 1226) 7.30-10pm £7.50-£35.

☆ **BILLY THE KID:** A new production of Eugene Loring's ballet for Dance Theatre of Harlem, given with *Firebird* and a new work, *Toccata e Due Canzoni*.
**Coliseum,** St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-836 3161) 7.30-10pm £6.50-£25.

☆ **SWAN LAKE:** Natalia Makarova's production for London Festival Ballet.
**Royal Festival Hall,** South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191). Mat 3-5pm, 7.30-10pm, £5-£16.50.

## OPERA

★ **FALSTAFF:** Peter Hall's nicely scaled new production for Glyndebourne's Verdi series, with Claudio Desderi in the title role. Graeme Jenkins conducts.
**Glyndebourne,** Lewes, Sussex (0273 541111), 5.30-9.55pm, £25-£60.

☆ **ARMIDA:** Haydn's opera based on the great epic of the Crusades by the Renaissance poet, Torquato Tasso, who provides the focus for this year's Buxton Festival.
**Opera House,** Buxton, Derbyshire (0298-72190), 7.45-10.15pm, £6.50-£21.

## GALLERIES

**THE GLORY OF WATERCOLOUR:** Selections from the Royal Watercolour Society's diploma collection with works ranging from Alma Tadema to Patrick Procktor.
**Bankside Gallery,** 48 Hopton Street, London SE1 (01-928 7521). Tues 10am-8pm, Wed-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 1-5pm, £1. Until Sept 4.

**L.S. LOWRY (1887-1976):** See caption.
**Barbican Art Gallery,** Silk St, London EC2 (01-638 4141). Mon-Sat 10am-6.45pm, Sun 12-5.45pm, £3. Until Oct 2.

**METROPOLIS:** Installations about concepts of the modern city by six of London's innovative architectural practices.
**Institute of Contemporary Arts,** The Mall, London SW1 (01-930 3647). Daily 12-8pm, 60p, until Sept 25.

**NORTHERN GRADUATES:** Works by eight recent graduates selected from degree shows at northern colleges.
**New Academy Gallery,** 34 Windmill Street, London W1 (01-323 4700). Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 11am-5pm, free. Until Sept 5.

**ROMANTIC VISIONS:** Paintings by nine young artists including Philip Stevens and Wendy Hodge.

**Camden Arts Centre,** Arkwright Road, London NW3 (01-435 2643). Mon-Fri 10.30am-5.30pm, Sat-Sun 2-6pm, free. Until Sept 4.

**THE BEST OF MODERN BRITISH ART:** From Ben Nicholson and Paul Nash to Patrick Heron and Lawrence Gowing.
**Austin/Desmond Fine Art,** 15a Bloomsbury Square, London WC1 (01-242 4443). Mon-Fri 10.30am-6.30pm, Sat 10am-2.30pm, free. Until Sept 13.



**The enigmatic "Portrait of Ann", 1957 (above), is one of a series of late portraits by L.S. Lowry (1887-1976) depicting a so-far unidentified sitter. Informed speculation believes that she is either an idealized portrayal of his mother, to whom he was devoted, or a memorial to a girl he once met on holiday at Lytham St Anne's and never forgot. It is among 80 pictures in an exhibition at the Barbican (see listings) which explores, beyond the usual matchstick stereotype, the lesser known, but equally absorbing, aspects of his *oeuvre*.**

## TALKS

**SIR FRANCIS WALSINGHAM:** Gallery lecture by Susan Morris on the "great Maecenas of this age".
**National Portrait Gallery, Trafalgar Square,** London WC2, 1.10pm, free.

## WALKS

**A GREAT CHARLES DICKENS EXCURSION:** Meet St Paul's tube, 11am, £2.50.

**JACK THE RIPPER:** Meet Tower Hill tube, 2pm, £2.50.

**A GHOST WALK — THE HAUNTED WEST END:** Meet Embankment tube, 7.30pm, £2.50.

## OTHER EVENTS

**SYON CRAFT SHOW:** 180 exhibitors, over 100 demonstrations of crafts, ancient and modern — a Saxon village, medieval entertainers, children's corner with clowns. Refreshments throughout.
**Syon Park Gardens,** Brentford, Middx, (01-560 0882). Today until August 7 inclusive, 10am-6pm. Adult £2.50, child £1.00, under fives free. Car park free.

**ARAB HORSE SHOW:** Three day breed show with today, pure breds, part breds; tomorrow pure breds, Anglo-Arabs and juniors; Sat pure breds and foals. Refreshments and licensed bars.
**Ascot Paddocks,** Ascot, Berkshire. Today until Sat inclusive, 8.30am onwards, adult £4, child £2.

**NEC AUGUST FAIR:** 350 dealers selling a wide range of antiques from small collectors' items to large, top quality antiques — paintings, furniture, silver, jewellery and many others.
**National Exhibition Centre,** Birmingham, (021 780 4141). Today until Aug 7 inclusive. Today 2-9pm. Tomorrow, Sat 11am-8pm, Sun 11am-6pm. Adult £2.50, child £1.50.

**NORTHERN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY EVENTS:** Small exhibition of garden sculpture with all items for sale. Related demonstrations and workshop this Sun. Also today, talk on the History of the Water Garden, 2pm onwards.
**Northern Horticultural Society, Harlow Car Gardens,** Crag Lane, Harrowgate, (0243 65418). Until end of Aug, daily 9am-7.30 pm. Admission £2, accompanied child free.

**BRITISH MUSEUM FILM:** *Dürer 1471-1528* — a 50-minute biographical study of the artist.
**British Museum Lecture Theatre,** Great Russell St, London WC1 (01-636 1555). Today, tomorrow, 3.30 pm. Free.

## BOOKINGS

### FIRST CHANCE

**ANUGRAHA FESTIVAL:** New music festival, with classical, jazz, dance and other events, including performances by Wren Orchestra of London with Alexander Gibson, London Mozart Players, plus floodlit dancing to Trinity College Swing Band. Also *Façade* with Timothy West and Sheila Steafel, and Gershwin concert with *Porgy and Bess*. Festival set in grounds of conference centre, with concert dinners available. Aug 19-21.
**Festival Office,** Wick Lane, Englefield Green, Egham, Surrey (0784 343555).

**SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET:** Booking for *Theme and Variations* (first performance by Sadler's Wells), *Les Sylphides, Petrushka, Concerto Barocco, The Edge of Silence*, and *Pineapple Poll*. Oct 10-15.
**Birmingham Hippodrome** (021 622 7486).

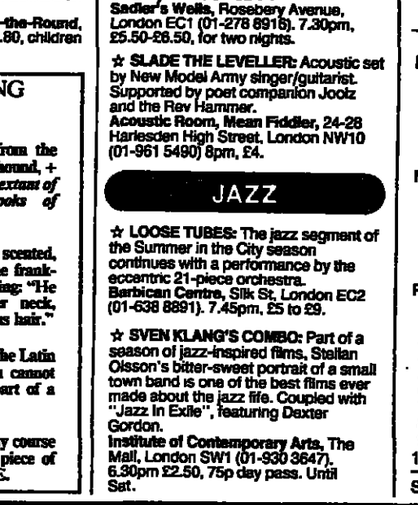
### LAST CHANCE

**PICKETT'S PAGEANT:** Festival of early English music ends this weekend with 200-year survey of composition of English Mass music; Renaissance Dance Festival with New London Consort; Madrigals from Marzenzio with Consort of Musicke and Anthony Rooley; and Mass for Japanese princes with Gabrieli Consort.
**Queen Elizabeth Hall and Purcell Room,** South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191/8800)

**STEPHEN FARTHING: MUTE ACCOMPLICES:** Images ranging from still lifes to interiors of imagined rooms.
**Walker Art Gallery,** William Brown St, Liverpool (051 207 0001). Ends Sun.

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; Films: Geoff Brown; Concerts: Max Harrison; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock: David Sinclair; Jazz: Clive Davis; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Walks and Talks: Greta Carslaw; Other Events: Judy Froshaug; Bookings: Anne Whitehouse.

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**HER MAJESTYS** Haymarket 839 2244 CC 24hr 379 4444 (bkg fee) 240 7200 (bkg fee) Group Sales 930 6123 **ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S AWARD WINNING MUSICAL** **THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA** **DAVE WILLETTS** **CLAIRE MOORE** **MICHAEL BALL** Jan Hartley Morris plays Christine at certain performances Directed by HAROLD PRINCE Eves 7.45 Mats Wed & Sat 3 Sold out all perfs until Mar '89. Queue daily for returns.

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# TELEVISION AND RADIO

Compiled by Peter Dear and Jane Rackham

## BBC1

**6.00 Ceefax AM.** News headlines, *weather travel and sports bulletins* **6.40 Edgar Kennedy** in *Gasaloons* (b/w). **6.55 Weather** **7.00 Breakfast Time** with Jeremy Paxman and Sally Jones. Includes national and international news at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** and **8.30**; weather at **7.25, 7.55** and **8.25**; regional news and travel reports at **7.27, 7.57** and **8.27** **8.35 Buck Rogers** (b/w). Episode nine of the 12-part classic adventure serial (r). **8.55** Regional news and weather. **9.00 News** and weather **9.05 But First This!** introduced by Andy Crane, beginning with **The Pink Panther Show.** Three cartoons (r). **9.25 Hartbeat.** Tony Hart's guide to making better pictures (r). (Ceefax) **9.50 Laurel and Hardy.** Cartoon. **10.00 News** and weather followed by **Silas.** Episode four of the serial about the adventures of a young man who escapes from a cruel circus owner (r). **10.30 Play School** presented by Floella Benjamin and Lloyd Johnston (r). **10.55 Five to Eleven** with pupils from St Anselm's Primary School, Tooting Bec. **11.00 News** and weather followed by **Cartoon 11.10 Undersea Kingdom** (b/w). Episode seven of the 12-part vintage adventure serial starring Ray "Crash" Corrigan **11.30 Superman** starring George Reeves **12.00 News** and weather followed by **The Garden Party** introduced by Viv Lumsden and Eamonn Holmes. Today's guests include brother and sister disc jockeys, Liz and Andy Kershaw, who talk to Mavis Nicholson **12.55** Regional news and weather. **1.00 One O'Clock News** with Philip Hayton. Weather **1.30 Neighbours.** Mrs Mangel becomes a thorn in Paul's side; and Jim is less than a perfect patient. **1.50 Cricket: Fifth Test.** Tony Lewis introduces coverage of the afternoon session of the first day's play in the game at the Oval between England and the West Indies. The commentators are Richie Benaud and Jack Bannister with summaries by Ray Illingworth and Ian Botham. **4.10 Scruffy.** Episode one of a three-part cartoon story **4.35 Fast Forward.** Video fun for the young (r). **5.00 Newsround 5.05 Move It** features soap-box racing from Brands Hatch **5.35 Neighbours** (r). **6.00 Six O'Clock News** with Nicholas Witchell and Philip Hayton. Weather **6.35 London Plus** **7.00 Top of the Pops** presented by Mark Goodier and Janice Long. **7.30 EastEnders.** Ian receives an unexpected windfall; and Donna's enthusiasm to find somewhere to live is not shared by others. (Ceefax) **8.00 Bodymatters.** This first of a new series presented by Drs Graeme Garden, Alan Maryon Davis and Gillian Rice examines the importance of water. (Ceefax) **8.30 Bread.** Comedy series, written by Carla Lane, about a Liverpool family coping innovatively with the problems of unemployment (r). (Ceefax) **9.00 Nine O'Clock News** with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather. **9.30 The Mercer Play: A Dinner of Herbs.** (Ceefax) (see Choice) **11.05 Esther Interviews. . .** the diminutive actor and entertainer, Dudley Moore who talks about his career, his marriages, his insecurity and his unhappiness as a child. **11.35 Cricket: Fifth Test.** Highlights of the first day's play in the game at the Oval between England and the West Indies. **12.05am Weather.**

## BBC2

**6.55 Open University:** *Inner City Story.* Ends at **7.20.** **9.00 Ceefax.** **10.55 Cricket: Fifth Test.** Tony Lewis introduces live coverage of the opening session of the first day's play in the game at the Oval between England and the West Indies. **1.05 Ceefax 1.20 Chock-a-Block** (r). **1.35 Cricket and Golf.** Further coverage of the first day's play at the Oval; and from Fulford Golf Club, York, the first round of the Benson and Hedges International. **2.00 News** and weather followed by International Golf. Further coverage of the Benson and Hedges International **2.30 The Royal National Eisteddfod of Wales.** The Chairing Ceremony from the Eisteddfod Pavilion in Newport, Gwent. **3.35 International Golf.** Further action from Fulford. Includes news and weather at **3.50.** **4.10 Cricket: Fifth Test.** The closing session of the first day's play at the Oval. **6.10 Film: Africa Screams** (1949, b/w) starring Abbott and Costello as the victims of a kidnap gang who take them to Africa. Directed by Charles Barton. **7.25 Comrades.** This fourth of nine films follows 18-year-old Valera Krylov as he takes leave of his family and friends before he does his national service in the Red Army (r). **8.10 Armada.** The third and final part of the series sorting the fact from the fiction about the Spanish Armada. (Ceefax) **9.00 The Travel Show** includes a surprisingly positive resort report from Benidorm; and Matthew Collins taking a caravan from Manchester to Cornwall. **9.30 The Paul Daniels Magic Show.** Mr Daniels attempts the most difficult escape stunt of his career (r). (Ceefax) **10.15 Police Powers.** The fourth of six films examining the public's relationship with the police **10.45 Newsnight 11.30 Weather** **11.35 Open University: Weekend Outlook 11.40** Non-Euclidean Geometry. Ends at **12.10am.**

## ITV/LONDON

**6.00** TV-am begins with **The Morning Programme** introduced by Richard Keys; **7.00 Good Morning Britain** with Anne Diamond and Richard Keys; **8.50 Wacaday** for the young presented by Timmy Mallett. **9.25 Thames news** and weather. **9.30 Whose Baby?** Nanette Newman, Michael Groth and Pat Coombs try to work out the identities of the celebrity parents of a selection of children. With Bernie Winters. **10.00 He-Man and the Masters of the Universe** (r). **10.25 News** headlines **10.30 Bugs Bunny.** Cartoon (r). **10.35 Disney's The Wuzzles** (r). **11.00 Towser** (r). **11.10 Puddle Lane.** Puppet series with Neil Innes (r). **11.25 Thames news** and weather **11.30 Plants for Free.** Plant propagation series narrated by John Huntley (r). (Oracle) **12.00 Knight Rider.** Michael Knight and KITT meet deadly foes in Las Vegas (r). **12.30 Santa Barbara.** **1.00 News at One** with Jon Snow **1.20 Thames news 1.30 Randall & Hopkirk (Deceased).** Private detective series (r). **2.25 Home Cookery Club.** Tasty Teabread. **2.30 All Our Yesterdays.** Bernard Braden introduces newsclips about the Profumo affair **3.00 Take the High Road.** Dramas in the Scottish highlands **3.25 Thames news** and weather **3.30 Sons and Daughters.** Australian family drama serial **4.00 Tumbledown Farm 4.10 Twelve Summer Days.** Fiona Armstrong with the seventh 400-year-old report on the progress of the Spanish Armada **4.20 Emu's World** with Rod Hull and Bernard Bresslaw **4.45 Panic Station** (Oracle) **5.15 Give Us a Clue.** Celebrity charades game (r). **5.45 News** with Fiona Armstrong **6.00 Thames news** and weather. **6.30 Emmerdale Farm.** Jack and Marian reminisce. **7.00 Jimmy's.** Real life dramas with the staff and patients at St James's University Hospital, Leeds. **7.30 Carry On Laughing.** A compilation of clips from the successful *Carry On* series of film comedies (r). **8.00 The Bill.** Sun Hill police officers plan a dawn raid on a group of football hooligans after two of their colleagues infiltrate the gang. (Oracle) **8.30 The Fastest Man on Earth.** Continuing the series on Olympic sprinters. **9.00 In the Heat of the Night.** Part one of a two-part story in which Tibbs and Gillespie investigate the connection between a sample of pure cocaine and two missing youths. Starring Carroll O'Connor and Howard Rollins. **10.00 News at Ten** with Alastair Burnet and Sandy Gall **10.30 Thames news** and weather **10.35 The City Programme** includes a report on the booming UK leisure sector. **11.05 A Problem Aired.** Viewers' emotional problems discussed by experts. Followed by Crimestoppers **11.35 Suspicious Circumstances.** A documentary series about the people who help solve crimes **12.05am Prisoner: Cell Block H.** Drama series set in an Australian women's hospital **1.00 Sarah Vaughan.** The singer in concert. **2.00 News** headlines followed by **Film: Birth of the Beatles** (1979). The story of the pop group's rise to fame under the guiding hand of Brian Epstein. Starring Stephen MacKenna, Rod Culbertson, John Altman and Ray Ashcroft. Directed by Richard Marquand. **4.00 News** headlines followed by **Too Close For Comfort.** Comedy **4.30 America's Top Ten** (r). **5.00 ITN Morning News.** Ends **6.00.**

## CHANNEL 4

**12.00 Just 4 Fun.** **12.30 Business Daily.** Financial and business news service **1.00 Sesame Street.** Pre-school learning series **2.00 Film: An American Romance** (1942, b/w) starring Brian Donlevy and Ann Richards. Drama about a penniless Czech immigrant who finds love and fortune thanks to a pretty schoolteacher. Directed by King Vidor **4.15 Film: Joe McDoakes: So You Want to Give Up Smoking** (1942, b/w) starring George O'Hanlon as a man going through the trials and tribulations of trying to give up the deadly weed. Directed by Richard L. Bare **4.30 Countdown.** **5.00 Film: The Man in Grey** (1943, b/w) starring Margaret Lockwood and James Mason. Period melodrama about a young woman in a loveless marriage who becomes involved with a scheming actress friend and an actor who moonlights as a highwayman. Directed by Leslie Arliss. **6.40 Film: Micro-Phonies** (1945, b/w) starring the Three Stooges as plumbers who turn a radio station into chaos. Directed by Edward Bernds. **7.00 Channel 4 News** with Trevor McDonald and Anne Perkins. ***7.50 Comment and Weather.*** **8.00 Ourselves and Other Animals.** Programme 10 of Gerald and Lee Durrell's 12-part series on how animals communicate (r). **8.30 Amen.** Comedy series about a power struggle in an inner-city Philadelphia church between a self-righteous deacon and a new, trendy vicar. **9.00 Goya.** Episode two of the six-part dramatization of the life and work of the Spanish painter Goya. (Oracle) **10.00 True Stories: Born Again.** A portrait of a small community of born-again Christians living in Massachusetts. (Oracle) **11.40 Film: Attila '74** (1975). A documentary film about the events before and after the Turkish invasion of Cyprus in 1974. Directed by Michael Cacoyannis. Ends at **1.35am.**

# Dogmatism for dinner




**Unlikely lovers: Fiona Victory and Yoram Gal in the play *Dinner of Herbs* (BBC1 9.30pm)**

**TELEVISION CHOICE**

● Like many of David Mercer's plays for television, **A Dinner of Herbs** (BBC1, 9.30pm), completed shortly before his death in 1980 and now produced for the first time, combines a political dimension with a personal one. It takes place mostly in Jerusalem and is virtually a two-hander in which the protangonists are Nadav, an Israeli professor of English, and Jane, a visiting British journalist gathering material for an article on the country. Her view of Israel is less than complimentary, suggesting that it is "one huge, historical mistake" and comparing the plight of the Palestinian Arabs with that of the blacks in South Africa or even the victims of the Holocaust. She sees Israel as essentially a militaristic country, geared to the proposition that the most imaginative way to preserve peace is the pre-emptive strike. What initially maddens her about Nadav is not that he disagrees but that in the face of her tirades he remains maddeningly aloof.

Against these somewhat heavy odds, the two fall in love. But there is a barrier on the personal front as well. A widower, he has a six-year daughter on whom he doles and is reluctant to admit another woman into his life. So the relationship proceeds on two levels, which do not always convincingly join up. *A Dinner of Herbs* is at the same time a love story and a political debate which, given that hers is the more positive voice, tends to be one-sided. I am not sure that the BBC will find the property an easy one to sell to Israeli television, and critics of Israel will no doubt contend that even though the play was written nearly 10 years ago, its strictures are as valid as ever. Mercer's ability to stir controversy may not have ended with his death.

**Peter Waymark**

# Pink gins and locusts

**RADIO CHOICE**

● If further proof is needed (and I don't think it is) that June Knox-Mawer is in a class of her own when it comes to encouraging far-flung Brits to toe the line and reminisce fruitfully to her on a given theme, we need look no further than **The Years of the Locust** (Radio 4, 7.30pm). You will, of course, remember the marvellous yarns expatriate Brits told her in *Tales of the Pacific* and *Tales of Araby*. If these series had preceded Noël Coward's song-writing days and not followed them, we would probably have established that this is where he got the idea for "Mad Dogs and Englishmen". Eccentricity is again the unifying theme of *The Years of the Locust*, a string of anecdotes about the men and women who tackled insect swarms in Africa and Arabia after the Second World War. We can take it with a pinch of salt when one locust-fighter says that these task forces were made up of Britons who went out there to escape wives, police and income tax. I prefer not to believe that, presumably on the principle that if you can't beat 'em, eat 'em, locusts were roasted and they tasted like chestnuts. As for the yarn about the hard-drinking locust hunter who insisted on a tube being inserted into his grave so that gin could be poured down it by well-wishers, I am keeping an open mind.

● Like *The Years of the Locust*, **The Life of Rylands** (Radio 4, 8.15pm) demonstrates the skill of being able to execute lightning character sketches. In the literary and theatrical circles he moved in, George Rylands knew everybody who was anybody, and at 87, his memory is still sharp. He remembers Cecil Beaton in his Cambridge days as "a peacock among all us barn fowls", E.M. Forster as "slightly pussy cat, with claws", Thomas Hardy looking like a village carpenter, Leonard Woolf being "slightly Arctic", and Virginia being iridescent, and T.S. Eliot, a practical joker, arriving at the BBC with a false moustache.

**Peter Davalle**



**Scattered showers: locusts were a hazard for African motorists**

## VARIATIONS

**BBC1 WALES** 6.35am-6.55 The Royal National Eisteddfod 5.25pm-6.00 Wales Today 6.35-7.00 News followed by Neighbours 11.00-11.30 The Royal National Eisteddfod 12.00 Esther Interviews 12.35am-12.55 News and weather **SCOTLAND** 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland **NORTHERN IRELAND** 6.35pm Today's Sport 6.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35 Neighbours 6.58-7.00 Inside Ulster Update **ENGLAND** 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines

**ANGLIA** As London except:12.00-12.30pm That's My Dog 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Falcon Crest 6.00-6.30 About Anglia 7.30-8.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 11.20 Suspicious Circumstances 11.50 Prisoner: Cell Block H 12.45am Hollywood Wives 2.30 9 to 5 3.00 Australian Heritage 4.00 America's Top 10 4.30-5.00 Survival.

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**HTV WEST** As London except:12.00-12.30pm Shakespeare Trilogy 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 6.00-6.30 News 7.30-8.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 10.35 West This Week 11.10 Weekend Outlook 11.15 Scene '88 11.45 Suspicious Circumstances 12.35am Hammer House of Mystery 1.35 The Forum Presents 2.35 Closedown.

**HTV WALES** As HTV West except:6.00pm-6.30 Wales at Six 10.35 National Goes to Gwent 11.05 Short Story Theatre 11.35 Suspicious Circumstances 12.05am Hammer House of Mystery 1.25-2.25 The Forum Presents.

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**ULSTER** As London except:12.00-12.30pm Dining in France 1.20 News 1.30 Children – Helping Hands 2.00-2.30 Lifestyles 6.00 Summer Edition 6.20-6.30 Police Six 7.30-8.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 10.35 From Stone to Stone 11.05 Carson's Law 12.05am Dublin Horse Show 12.35 News, Closedown.

**YORKSHIRE** As London except:12.00 For the Honor of Their Country 12.30pm-1.00 Young Doctors 1.20 News 1.30-2.30 Country Practice 6.00-6.30 Calendar 7.30-8.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet 10.35 City Centre Cycling 11.20 Suspicious Circumstances 11.50 America's Top 10 12.30am Film: Like Mom, Like Me 2.20 Out of Limits 2.30 Married With Children 3.00 Music Box 4.00-5.00 Jobfinder.

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**RTE 1** Starts:1.30pm Bosco 2.00 Dublin Horse Show 5.45 News 6.00 Angelus 6.01 Garda Patrol 6.10 Gumm Bears 6.35 Portrait of the Soviet Union 7.35 Puinn 8.00 Starbuck 9.00 News 9.20 Today Tonight 10.00 Sorry! 10.35 Landmark 11.05 Rude Health 11.30 News, Closedown.




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## Radio 2

**MW (medium wave) Stereo on VHF (see Radio 1)** News on the hour **4.00** Bill Rennells **5.30** Roger Royle **7.30** Derek Jameson **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.00** Jimmy Young **1.05** David Jacobs **2.05** Claire Rayner **3.30** Adrian Love **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Country Club with Eddie Grundy **9.00** Lon Satton's Gospel Jubilee (New Series) **10.00** Wise on the Wireless **10.30** The Spinners and Friends **11.00** Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight **1.00am** Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music

## WORLD SERVICE

All times in GMT. Add an hour for BST **6.00** Newsdesk **6.30** Time for Verse **6.40** The Farming World **7.00** World News **7.09** Twenty-Four Hours **7.30** Guitar Workshop **7.45** Network UK **8.00** World News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** Country Style **8.30** John Peel **9.00** World News **9.09** Review of the British Press **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Financial News **9.45** Society Today **10.00** News Summary **10.01** Churchill the Historian **10.30** Londres Midi **11.00** World News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** Sportsworld **11.30** Citizens **12.00** Radio Newsreel **12.15** Multitrack 2 **12.45** Sports Roundup **1.00** World News **1.09** Twenty-Four Hours **1.30** Network UK **1.45** Sportsworld **2.00** Outlook **2.45** Write On ... **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** The Pleasure's Yours **4.00** World News **4.09** News About Britain **4.15** English by Radio **4.45** Londres Soir **5.30** Heute Aktuell **6.00** Programmes in German **7.00** Proms '88 Live Relay **7.29** News Summary **7.30** TBA **7.39** Stock Market Report **7.45** Here's Humphi **8.00** World News **8.09** Twenty-Four Hours **8.30** Meridian **9.00** News Summary **9.01** Talking From ... **9.15** A Jolly Good Show **10.00** World News **10.09** The World Today **10.25** Book Choice **10.30** Financial News **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** World News **11.09** Commentary **11.09** **11.15** Seven Seas **11.30** Time for Verse **11.40** The Farming World **12.00** World News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** Music Now **1.00** News Summary **1.01** Outlook **1.30** Folk in Britain **1.45** Talking From ... **2.00** World News **2.09** Review of the British Press **2.15** Health Matters **2.30** Citizens **3.00** World News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** The World Today **3.30** Six Four Eight News **3.35** Financial News **3.45** Morgenmagazin **4.45** The World Today **5.00** World News and Twenty-Four Hours **5.30** Londres Matin

## Radio 3

**6.35** Weather; News headlines **7.00** Morning Concert: Beethoven Overture (Leonora No 3: Vienna PO/Bernstein); Tchaikovsky (Scene and Waltz; Spanish Dance; Hungarian Dance: LSO/Monteux) **7.30** News **7.35** Spohr (Nonet Op 31: Consortium Classicum); Chopin (Waltzes; in F, Op 34 No 3; in A flat, Op 42; in D flat, Op 64 No 1: Lipatti, piano); Walton (Partita: Cleveland Orch) **8.30** News **8.35** Composers of the Week: Schumann: Liederkreis, Op 24 (Brigitte Fassbaender, mezzo-sop; Irwin Gage, piano); Piano Concerto in A Minor (Geza Anda, Berlin PO/Rafael Kubelik) **9.35** Pablo Marquez (guitar): Praetorius (Three Dances: Terpsichore); Bach (Prelude: Lute Suite BWV 995); Harold Gramatages (Comoson); Ginastera (Canto e finale, Op 47) **10.00** Songs by Mozart and Wolf (Helmut Krebs, tenor, Paul Hamburger, piano); Mozart (Warnung; An Chloë; Trennungslied; Die Zufriedenheit; Das Traumbild; Wolf (Italienisches Liederbuch; Auch kleine Dinge; Gesegnet sie; Hoffärrig seid Ihr; Nun lass uns Frieden; Ein Ständchen euch; Und willst du: gesellt, woll'n wir Eichendorff-Lieder; Der Musikant; Der Scholar; Umfall; Der Freund); Mozart (Abendempfindung) **10.45 (NEW only)** Test Match Special: Commentary on the first day's play in the fifth Test between England and the West Indies at the Oval, although most commentators could probably tell you the result already. Includes **1.05 News, 1.10** To the Islands in the Sun, **1.35** County Scoreboard, **3.45** Minor Counties Review. Ends approx **6.30pm** **10.45** Arthur Bliss (Music for Strings: LPO/Boult) **11.10** Joseph Silverstein (violin), with Bernard Roberts (piano): Bach (Sonata No 3 in C); Beethoven (Sonata in A, Opus 30 No 1) **12.00** Symphonies in C: BBC SO, conducted by David Atherton: Haydn (Symphony No 90 in C); Stravinsky (Symphony in C) **1.00** News **1.05** Piano Trios: Raphael Trio perform Haydn (Trio in C) and Dvorak (Trio in G Minor, Op 26) **2.00** Der Turm: an opera in two acts; music by Josef Tal, libretto by Hans Keller; chorus and orchestra of Kassel State Theatre, conducted by Adam Fisher (first production from the 1987 Berlin Festival). A work suggesting that the language of music is the best mode of communication between races. With Janos Korda (tenor), William Oberholtzer (baritone), Rene Claassen (tenor), Marianne Larsen (soprano), Alexander Stevenson (tenor), Aviva Orvath (soprano), Ferdinand Hall (tenor), Trude Schumacher (mezzo) **3.50** Sweet Musicke: Pieces by John Dowland, Alfonso Ferrabosco the Younger and Captain Tobias Hume (Lute Group) **4.20** Richard Markham and David Nettle (piano duet): Hindemith (Sonata); Rachmaninov (Six Pieces, Op 11) **5.00** Mainly for Pleasure: Brian Kay with a musical dream sequence **6.30** Bandstand: Leyland DAF Band conducted by Richard Evans: Howard Blake (Fusions); Edward Gregson (The Plantagenets) **7.00** News **7.05** The Sicilian Expedition: Edward de Souza as Thucydides in part two of series: The Syracusans Prepare, 415 BC **7.30** Proms 88, live from the Royal Albert Hall, London: Handel (L'Allegro, il Penseroso ed il Moderato): Gillian Fisher, Emma Kirkby, Lorna Anderson (soprano), Margaret Cable (mezzo), Howard Milner (tenor), Michael George (baritone), London Handel Orchestra led by Roy Goodman, conducted by Denys Darlow. During the interval Jonathan Keates describes how Handel's thoughts turned to Il Penseroso **10.00** Daniel Bell in Britain: the influential Professor of Sociology at Harvard reflects on his academic year in Britain **10.45** Sviatoslav Richter (piano): Schubert (Moments Musicaux, D 780; No 3 in F minor; No 6 in A flat) **11.00** Composers of the Week: Frank Bridge: There is a Willow Grows Aslant a Bridge (1927); Rhapsody for Two Viols and Viola (1928); Oration (Concerto elegiaco, 1930) **12.00** News **12.05** Closedown

## Radio 4

**LW (long wave)** (s) stereo on VHF **5.55** Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing; Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day (s) **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.30, 8.30** News Summary **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **7.00, 8.00** Today's News **7.25, 8.25** Sport **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.42** Through the Looking Glass by Lewis Carroll: (4 of 7) **8.57** Weather; Travel **9.00** News **9.05** Punters: An opportunity for listeners to report on life's injustices, problems and quirks **9.45** Uncle Mort's North County by Peter Tinniswood: Dog Days with Stephen Thorne as Uncle Mort and Peter Skellern as Carter Brandon (part 3 of 5) (s) **10.00** News: the Natural History Programme. Fergus Keeling and Jessica Holm find out how killer whales can sometimes help otters **10.45** An Act of Worship (s) **11.00** News; Travel; Citizens (s) **11.25** On The Day I Was Born: Larry Harry delves into the old tabloids for the news on Terence Conran's date of birth **11.50** Tales of the Loch: Bruce Sandison talks to Christopher Lowell about the Loch of the Lowes and Butterstone Loch **12.00** News; You and Yours with John Howard **12.25** Blandings: Last of a four-part dramatization of P.G.Wodehouse's Heavy Weather (s) **12.55** Weather **1.00** The World at One **1.40** The Archers **1.55** Shipping Forecast **2.00** News; Woman's Hour: reports on the early days of modern contraception; mitigating circumstances in women's crimes; and sewches. **3.00** News; Just a Few Friends: Play by Roger Davenport (s). Mary and Ted are asked to babysit for their daughter, so they decide to invite some friends around. This is their first mistake. **4.00** News **4.05** A Good Read: Brian Gear with guests Frances Donnelly and Joseph Hone discussing paperbacks they have enjoyed **4.35** Kaleidoscope: reviews of Don't Go Away Mad, from the Donmar Warehouse; Rambo 13; The Modern Chair at the ICA; the International Festival of Circus; and Paul Patterson at the Three Choirs Festival **5.00** PM **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather **6.00** Six O'Clock News; Financial Report **6.30** Brain of Britain 1988: Robert Robinson chairs the final of the nationwide general knowledge quiz (s) **7.00** News **7.15** The Archers **7.20** Any Answers: An opportunity for listeners outraged by last week's Any Questions to sound off in return. Introduced by Caroline Parsons. **7.30** The Years of the Locust: June Knox-Mawer listens to the memories of the scientists and travellers who went to Africa and Arabia in the 1940s, '50s, and '60s in answer to a desperate plea to kill plagues of locusts (s) (see Choice) **8.15** The Life of Rylands: George "Dadie" Rylands, founder of the Cambridge Arts Theatre, reminisces with Chris Kelly about his long life and some of the many memorable people he has known, including Thomas Hardy, George Orwell, E.M. Forster, Guy Burgess, and Somerset Maugham **9.00** Does He Take Sugar: A magazine for disabled listeners and their families. Presented by Kati Whitaker **9.30** Archive Auction: Anthony Holden, biographer of the Prince of Wales, chooses a selection of recordings from the archives **9.45** Kaleidoscope **10.15** A Book at Bedtime: The Bible in Spain by George Borrow (14 of 15) **10.29** Weather **10.30** The World Tonight **11.15** The Financial World Tonight **11.30** Windblown; Andrew Manner presents recordings by a Danish recorder player Michala Petri **12.00** News, incl **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast **VHF** as above except: **1.55-2.00pm** Listening Corner (s) **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **11.30-12.10am** Open University: **11.30** Mathematics Foundation Course

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# Hotol's staff set to work abroad

By Robert Matthews
Technology Correspondent

Some of Britain's leading aerospace engineers are preparing to work abroad after the Government's decision to end support for the Hotol spaceplane.

The project is widely seen as a breakthrough in the development of truly low-cost space transport. It has been jeoparized by last week's decision by Mr Kenneth Clarke, then Minister of State for Industry, not to provide the £10 million needed over three years to complete development tests at British Aerospace and Rolls-Royce.

Dr Robert Parkinson, co-inventor of Hotol with Mr Alan Bond and now Hotol project leader at BAe in Stevenage, Hertfordshire, said yesterday that the announcement looks set to cause an exodus of talent out of the UK and into rival Aerospace companies in Europe.

"The brightest and best are packing their bags and are learning German and French", he said. Doubts about the long-term future of the project had already harmed Hotol, he said, with the departure last year of the deputy project leader to join the Euro-fighter programme in Europe. The brain-drain was likely to accelerate.

BAe seems certain to give up its leadership in the project and sell it to foreign competitors when its current budget for Hotol ends next year.

"There is a serious danger that British Aerospace will not stay the leader in the programme, as the leaders tend to be the ones that put in the most money", Dr Parkinson said.

The company is already talking to rivals in West Germany, France, Italy, and Spain about acquiring an interest in Hotol's revolutionary technology. An international consortium appears likely to take over the development and construction programme.

Dr Parkinson said that the most recent analysis carried out by the design team had confirmed a fleet of four Hotols would pay for the entire development costs in five to seven years.

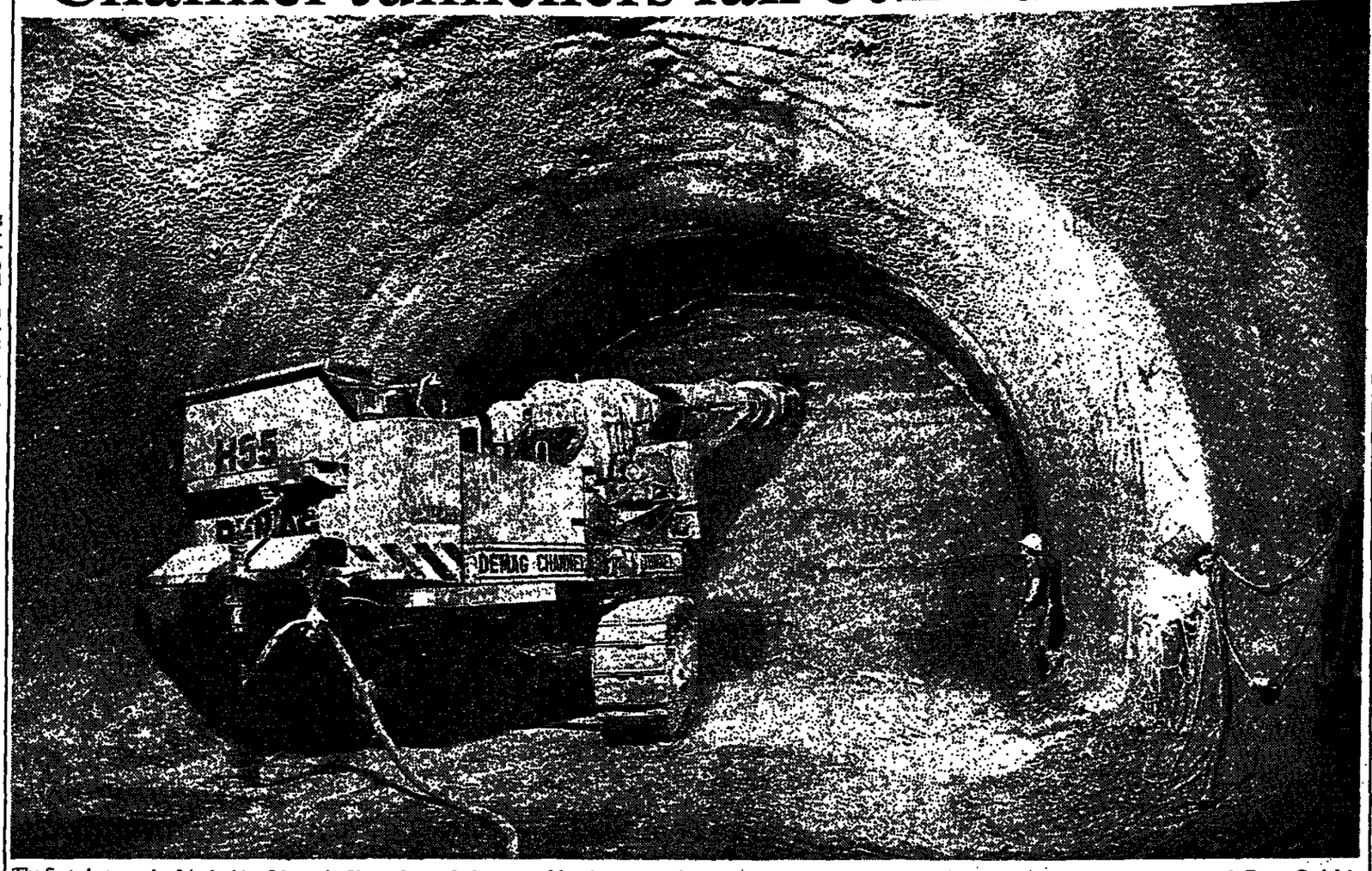
He gave his views at the annual conference in Cambridge of Mensa, the society for people with high IQs.

Sir Clive Sinclair, the high technology inventor and president of Mensa, said he would be trying to get the Government to reverse its "incredible decision" not to back Hotol. "We are going to fight damned hard to get them to change their minds on this one."

Sir Clive said that quite apart from the technological spin-offs, Hotol should be backed to maintain Britain's technological morale.

The Adam Smith Institute, the right-wing thinktank, said it too would be acting to support the growing campaign to keep Hotol's breakthroughs in Britain.

# Channel tunnellers fall behind deadline




The first photograph of the inside of the main Channel tunnel where a road-header machine is drilling out clay so that the main boring machine can move in (Photograph: Byrne-Craigie).

By Rodney Cowton
Transport Correspondent

Eurotunnel, the company that will operate and own the Channel Tunnel, yesterday acknowledged that contractors boring the initial tunnel are far behind schedule and will fail to meet their deadline. Eurotunnel is expected to claim penalties for the delay.

To meet the deadline, Trans Manche Link (TML) should bore the service tunnel – the smaller of three – 5 km out to sea from the site near Dover by November 1. But Eurotunnel has complained that the work was up to eight weeks late and and had reached only one and a half kilometres.

Mr Joe Stacey, Eurotunnel's site manager, said there had been progress recently but the contractors' latest estimate was that they would still be four to five weeks behind by November 1.

Part of the delay has been caused by water in the service tunnel, exposing what Mr Stacey calls "minor design defects" in the 600-ton tunnel-boring machine.

Eurotunnel refused to reveal the penalty they might be entitled to, and TML have said that they would be likely to contest it.

Mr Stacey thought it would take until early in the new year to catch up. The fact that the service tunnel was running late did not mean the whole project would be delayed.

Mr Stacey said it might prove an advantage that the difficulties came to light so early. Subsequent boring machines could be modified while under construction.

He said that last week 119 metres of tunnel were bored. Although the target is 200 metres a week, they were starting to catch up. Apart from the work on the service tunnel, much other work has been done and Mr Stacey estimated that about a kilometre of subsidiary and connecting tunnels had been dug, as had a vertical shaft 110 metres deep by ten metres wide.

'Overcrowding' dispute spreads

# Jail unrest at Parkhurst

By Peter Evans and Andrew Morgan

Officers at Parkhurst top security prison on the Isle of Wight took industrial action yesterday, adding to unrest which has stopped the admission of prisoners to key London jails.

As the dispute at Holloway women's prison spread, Mr Douglas Hogg, Home Office minister responsible for prisons, appealed for the action to be called off. "For prisoners to have to be kept in police cells must be wrong by any kind of standard," he said.

The prison officers "must consider whether they are being asked by their representatives to act in a professional way."

As he spoke, officers at London prisons were taking industrial action to reduce the jail populations to what they are officially supposed to hold, the so-called "certified normal accommodation" (CNA).

One reason for the Parkhurst dispute is the Prison Department's new system of working called "Fresh Start" – which also sparked off the London action.

Even before the present dispute, the police have been under tremendous pressure, coping with movements of prisoners into police and court cells.

One of the key prisons is Brixton, which over the last six months has taken an average of 80 new unconvicted remand and trial prisoners each day.

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In the present action, Brixton officers will accept sentenced prisoners from the crown court and people remanded in custody for a medical examination but they are not taking any normal remands.

Wandsworth Prison was not accepting any receptions. About 30 new prisoners would be locked out each day, the Prison Officers Association said. Most of the new receptions come from Brixton, so there is a knock-on effect.

At Pentonville, Mr Dave Taylor, branch chairman, said: "There will be no receptions today. We take normally about 45. We shall keep this up as long as necessary."

Feltham Youth Custody Centre is not overcrowded, according to Mr Duncan Keys, deputy chairman of the POA branch. "We are waiting for the national executive to contact us to see what action we should take. We predict that we shall be imposing a minimum staffing level, which will effectively close down the prison."

The population at Wormwood Scrubs, about 1,500 prisoners, is already down to 1,023 as a result of industrial action since February over staffing levels. As a result the prison is holding only what it should.

Talks were planned for late yesterday afternoon at Holloway between the prison management and POA branch officials after it was agreed that two female principal officers whom the union objected to would not sit at the talks.

However, the talks were postponed until 10.30am this morning at the prison.

The issue at stake at Holloway is whether there should be, as the local POA branch wish, three officers on duty when 32 inmates are unlocked, or two, as the Home Office says the local POA agreed to when "Fresh Start" was introduced.

The wider issue which causes more general anxiety among officers is whether the new system of working under "Fresh Start" will eat up the extra staff entering the service, leaving it as badly off – or worse off, according to the POA leadership – than before. At any rate there will be 1,360 additional officers in England and Wales by March 1989.

# Thatcher attacked on sanctions stance

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Mr Bob Hawke, the Australian Prime Minister, steered away from the subject during their talks yesterday.

But it emerged that Mrs Thatcher is considering a visit next year to the front-line states, although she will not consider going to South Africa without the release of Nelson Mandela.

Mrs Thatcher also promised Australia a new partnership with Britain. She has invited Mr Hawke to London next year, and asked him to bring a group of other senior ministers to meet their counterparts and cement the relationship.

In two speeches and a press conference yesterday in Canberra, the federal capital, and another in Melbourne, she underlined her belief in Britain's great bond of friendship with Australia.

"We want to step up our contacts at every level", she said. "Let's do it as two strong, proud, independent, successful nations, each with its own contribution to make."

She promised the Australians that she would not allow the launch of the Single European Market in 1992 to erect greater trading barriers against other countries.

"Britain can provide a springboard for Australia into that market, and we hope that our trade and investment with you will help us to do better in the great markets of the Pacific", she said.

The Prime Minister, the first guest in Australia's new parliament building, met Mr Hawke for 45 minutes and suggested that the British Government might consider renegotiating the payment of pensions to 117,000 British subjects in Australia.

Under present policy, the British Government does not adjust those pensions for inflation. Instead, the Australian government tops them up.

# Moscow frees German pilot

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friends, and spend some time thinking about his future.

Tass accused Herr Rust of an "unprecedented act of hooliganism in the air," as he approached Moscow last May near the air corridor used by international flights approaching Sheremetyevo.

The dramatic flight from Helsinki, Finland, across Soviet Estonia and on to Moscow through the world's most closely guarded air space, shook Soviet security and prompted the dismissal of the Defence Minister, General Sergei Sokolov and the Air Defence chief, General Alexander Koldunov.

Soviet jets scrambled to intercept Herr Rust's Cessna when it was detected crossing into Soviet airspace, but no action was taken to halt the flight and apparently no word of warning about the incident was sent forward to Moscow.

The Soviet leader, Mr Gorbachev and General Sokolov were in East Berlin at the time of Herr Rust's flight, for a meeting of the Warsaw Pact. Two days after Herr Rust's landing and arrest, General Sokolov was sent into retirement for the lapse and General Koldunov was dismissed. Rust said at his trial that he made the flight to promote world peace. But the Soviet Supreme Court said Rust was interested more in promoting himself.

He was found guilty on September 4, 1987, of illegally entering the Soviet Union, violating international flight rules, and malicious hooliganism, and sentenced to four years in a Soviet labour camp. However, he remained in Lefortovo Prison.

"Having served just over a quarter of the term to which he was sentenced by the court, Mathias Rust was released. The Soviet Union has shown its humaneness again," Tass said.

In West Germany, Chancellor Helmut Kohl, welcoming Herr Rust's release, said it was a "positive gesture" ahead of his visit to Moscow in October.

The West German government had worked for Herr Rust's release and a government spokesman, Herr Norbert Shaefer said in Bonn that "the federal government is pleased with this step."

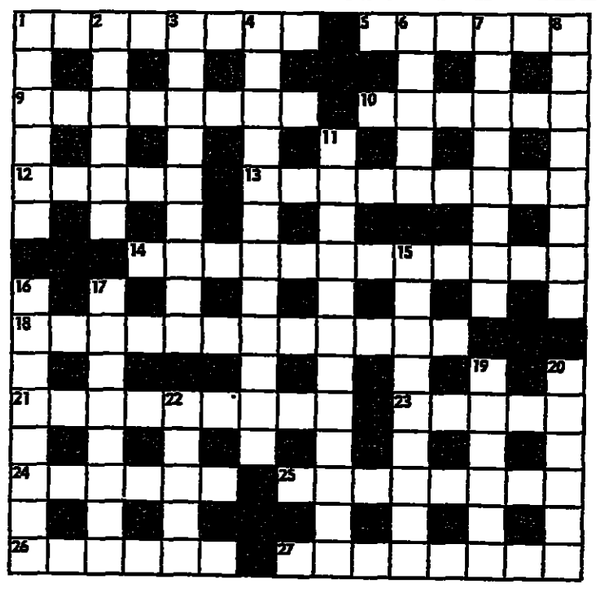
Herr Rust's mother, Frau Monika Rust, told reporters outside the family home in Wedel, near Hamburg: "This is the most beautiful moment of my life. I am so happy."

Frau Rust said she and her husband, Karl-Heinz, had learned of their son's release from a radio news bulletin.

Asked when she would be reunited with her son, she replied: "I don't know." She then left in a car escorted by representatives of *Stern* magazine which last year bought exclusive rights to the Rust story.

Stern's representatives were keeping the parents away from a crowd of press, radio and television reporters outside the family home.

## THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 17,739



### ACROSS

1 A chapter of *The Prisoner of Zenda*? Not likely! (4,4).
5 Profession has run rapidly out of control (6).
9 Separate here, careful to avoid embarrassment by hearsay (8).
10 A sacred word in entrance to Marabar Caves (6).
12 "And always keep a hold of —— " (Belloc) (5).
13 I am betwixt two capes – what excitement! (9).
14 Swaggering characters rousing Viola (12).
18 Helping those in despair is a Martinmas resolution (12).
21 Dubious gains invested in gold sovereign by fixer (9).
23 County participating in big time athletics (5).
24 The sort of relations created by unions (2-4).
25 Wild flower, good for cleaner hair (8).
26 Mother's lad maybe sings like such an angel (6).
27 A climber beginning to belay, for example (8).

### DOWN

1 Taking part of a short track (6).
2 A total failure, this bid (6).
3 Fabric that is harsh or rough (9).
4 Bowl with spin in this game (5-3-4).
6 Where adders slide to and fro? (5).
7 Seaport offering limited right of admission to vessel (8).
8 Have another think about seas breaking over the ship (8).
11 Foot trouble makes defeated bowmen run away near the end (6,6).
15 Raise more contributions for a musical (4,5).
16 Surprise sort of university place? (8).
17 He takes no notice of a country's customs when he travels (8).
19 Had accepted short part in *"1066 and All That"* (6).
20 Necklace in stock (6).
22 Post for a rail supporter (5).

Concise crossword, page 16

## WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

CYNEGETIS
a. Hunting
b. Birth control of dogs
c. A school of philosophy

LIBANOPHOROUS
a. Levantine murderousness
b. Scented
c. Grown in Lybia

DELPHINET
a. Greek national dress
b. A young dolphin
c. To trawl on the surface

CAKE COURSE
a. An easy option
b. Layer in a sponge cake
c. A permeable brick foundation

*Answers on page 16, column 1*

Solution to Puzzle No 17,738

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| B | U | T | C | H | E | R | S | | F | O | U | G | H | T |
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| B | | A | | R | | H | | E | | A | | U | | R |
| A | L | W | A | Y | S | | I | D | O | L | I | S | E | S |

## WEATHER

**Western districts will be cloudy with rain spreading eastwards over Northern Ireland and western Scotland – possibly heavy in places. Elsewhere it will be mainly dry. Outlook: brighter in Scotland and Northern Ireland; cloudy in northern England; staying dry in the South.**

### ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

| | C | F | | | C | F | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ajaccio | 39 | 102 | s | Majorca | 30 | 86 | f |
| Akrotiri | 32 | 90 | s | Malaga | 39 | 102 | s |
| Alex'dria | 30 | 86 | c | Malta | 34 | 93 | s |
| Algiers | 47 | 117 | s | Mexico C* | 19 | 66 | f |
| Amst'dam | 18 | 64 | s | Miami* | 32 | 90 | s |
| Athens | 34 | 93 | s | Montreal* | 31 | 88 | s |
| Bahrain | 37 | 99 | s | Moscow | 16 | 61 | r |
| Barbados* | 28 | 82 | f | Naples | 33 | 91 | s |
| Bermuda* | 31 | 88 | s | N Delhi | 28 | 82 | f |
| Biarritz | 20 | 68 | c | N York* | 32 | 90 | s |
| B Aires* | 15 | 59 | s | Nice | 29 | 84 | s |
| Cairo | 35 | 95 | s | Oslo | 16 | 61 | r |
| Cape Tn | 17 | 63 | s | Paris | 19 | 66 | s |
| C'blanca | 26 | 79 | s | Peking | 30 | 86 | c |
| Chicago* | 34 | 93 | s | Rhodes | 31 | 88 | s |
| Ch'church | 13 | 55 | s | Rio de J | 19 | 66 | s |
| Corfu | 34 | 93 | s | Riyadh | 42 | 108 | s |
| Dubrovnik | 32 | 90 | s | Rome | 32 | 90 | s |
| Faro | 28 | 82 | s | S P'risco* | 20 | 68 | f |
| Florence | 35 | 95 | s | Seoul | 33 | 91 | s |
| Frankfurt | 16 | 61 | c | Sing'por | 31 | 88 | f |
| Funchal | 20 | 68 | r | Strasb'rg | 17 | 63 | c |
| Geneva | 25 | 77 | s | Sydney | 21 | 70 | f |
| Hong K | 31 | 88 | f | Tangier | 26 | 79 | s |
| Innsbruck | 20 | 68 | c | Tel aviv | 31 | 88 | f |
| Istanbul | 32 | 90 | s | Tenerife | 28 | 79 | s |
| Jeddah | 36 | 97 | f | Tokyo | 27 | 81 | c |
| Jo'burg* | 19 | 66 | s | Toronto* | 29 | 84 | s |
| Karachi | 33 | 91 | f | Tunis | 43 | 109 | f |
| L Palmas | 27 | 81 | s | Valencia | 35 | 95 | s |
| Le Touet | 18 | 64 | f | Vanc'ver* | 20 | 68 | s |
| Lisbon | 24 | 75 | s | Venice | 29 | 84 | s |
| Locarno | 26 | 79 | f | Vienna | 24 | 75 | c |
| L Angels* | 21 | 70 | c | Warsaw | 17 | 63 | r |
| Luxemb'g | 17 | 63 | f | Wash'ton* | 33 | 91 | s |
| Luxor | 39 | 102 | s | Wel'ton | 11 | 52 | f |
| Madrid | 28 | 79 | s | Zurich | 14 | 57 | r |

* denotes Tuesday's figures are latest available

### AROUND BRITAIN

| | Sun hrs | Rain in | Max C | Max F | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Scarboro | 10.4 | .10 | 19 | 66 | sunny |
| Cromer | 6.9 | - | 16 | 61 | sunny |
| Lowestoft | 6.3 | - | 18 | 64 | sunny |
| Clacton | 0.9 | - | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Margate | 0.8 | - | 17 | 63 | cloudy |
| Hastings | 0.3 | - | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Eastbourne | 0.6 | - | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Brighton | 0.1 | - | 18 | 64 | dull |
| Worthing | 1.0 | - | 19 | 66 | cloudy |
| Bognor R | 1.2 | - | 19 | 66 | cloudy |
| Southsea | 0.8 | - | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Sandown | 1.2 | - | 19 | 66 | cloudy |
| Bournemth | 0.8 | - | 20 | 68 | cloudy |
| Weymouth | 1.3 | - | 19 | 66 | cloudy |
| Exmouth | 3.9 | - | 18 | 64 | bright |
| Teignmouth | 4.6 | - | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Torquay | 3.7 | - | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Penzance | 11.3 | - | 20 | 68 | sunny |
| Scilly Isles | 13.1 | - | 20 | 68 | sunny |
| Newquay | 10.3 | - | 19 | 66 | sunny |
| Minehead | 6.3 | - | 18 | 64 | sunny |
| Morecambe | 12.9 | - | 18 | 64 | sunny |
| Douglas | 12.2 | - | 17 | 63 | sunny |
| Buxton | 7.6 | - | 17 | 63 | bright |
| Carlisle | 9.0 | .15 | 18 | 64 | sunny |
| Leeds | 6.0 | .24 | 18 | 64 | thundr |
| Nottingham | 8.7 | - | 19 | 66 | bright |
| Anglesey | 12.5 | - | 17 | 63 | sunny |
| Colwyn Bay | 11.7 | - | 16 | 61 | sunny |
| Tenby | 7.4 | - | 19 | 66 | sunny |
| Aberdeen | 5.9 | .09 | 17 | 63 | shower |
| Eskdalemuir | 7.5 | - | 17 | 63 | thundr |
| Lerwick | 1.9 | - | 13 | 55 | cloudy |
| Stornoway | 1.5 | .02 | 15 | 59 | shower |
| Wick | 5.0 | .01 | 16 | 61 | bright |

* Denotes figures not available
These are Tuesday's figures

### HIGH TIDES

| TODAY | AM | HT | PM | HT |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| London Bridge | 7.08 | 6.8 | 7.15 | 6.8 |
| Aberdeen | 6.29 | 4.2 | 7.15 | 3.6 |
| Avonmouth | 12.12 | 12.8 | 12.32 | 12.1 |
| Belfast | 4.14 | 3.6 | 4.49 | 3.2 |
| Cardiff | — | — | 12.17 | 11.2 |
| Devonport | 11.18 | 5.0 | 11.36 | 5.0 |
| Dover | 4.14 | 6.2 | 4.31 | 6.3 |
| Falmouth | 10.48 | 4.8 | 11.06 | 4.8 |
| Glasgow | 5.44 | 4.9 | 6.09 | 4.5 |
| Harwich | 5.03 | 3.8 | 5.12 | 3.9 |
| Holyhead | 3.20 | 5.4 | 3.56 | 4.8 |
| Hull | 11.23 | 7.3 | — | — |
| Ilfracombe | 11.16 | 10.4 | 11.44 | 8.2 |
| Leith | 7.55 | 5.4 | 8.34 | 5.0 |
| Liverpool | 4.17 | 9.1 | 4.45 | 8.4 |
| Lowestoft | 2.51 | 2.1 | 2.36 | 2.5 |
| Margate | 5.20 | 4.4 | 5.19 | 4.7 |
| Milford Haven | 11.33 | 6.2 | 11.59 | 6.2 |
| Newquay | 10.29 | 6.2 | 10.58 | 6.3 |
| Oban | 10.40 | 3.3 | 11.33 | 3.3 |
| Penzance | 10.31 | 5.1 | 10.50 | 5.1 |
| Portland | — | — | 12.10 | 1.7 |
| Portsmouth | 4.33 | 4.4 | 5.14 | 4.5 |
| Shoreham | 4.19 | 5.8 | 4.45 | 5.9 |
| Southampton | 3.58 | 4.3 | 4.37 | 4.3 |
| Swansea | 11.36 | 8.5 | — | — |
| Tees | 8.57 | 5.2 | 9.40 | 4.7 |
| W'ton-on-Nze | 4.59 | 4.0 | 5.07 | 4.1 |

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.280ft.
Times are BST

### THE POUND

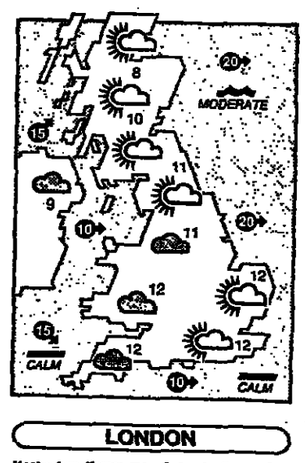
| | Bank Buys | Bank Sells |
|---|---|---|
| Australia $ | 2.22 | 2.19 |
| Austria Sch | 23.40 | 22.20 |
| Belgium Fr | 70.20 | 66.50 |
| Canada $ | 2.15 | 2.03 |
| Denmark Kr | 12.61 | 12.61 |
| Finland Mkk | 7.90 | 7.50 |
| France Fr | 11.20 | 10.65 |
| Germany Dm | 3.315 | 3.155 |
| Greece Dr | 264.00 | 250.00 |
| Hong Kong $ | 13.85 | 13.10 |
| Ireland Pt | 1.231 | 1.171 |
| Italy Lire | 2450.00 | 2330.00 |
| Japan Yen | 238.25 | 226.25 |
| Netherlands Gld | 3.75 | 3.56 |
| Norway Kr | 12.07 | 11.47 |
| Portugal Esc | 269.00 | 256.00 |
| South Africa Rd | 4.79 | 4.20 |
| Spain Pta | 296.00 | 287.00 |
| Sweden Kr | 11.45 | 10.85 |
| Switzerland Fr | 2.78 | 2.65 |
| USA $ | 1.78 | 1.70 |
| Yugoslavia Dnr | 5100.00 | 4300.00 |

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques.

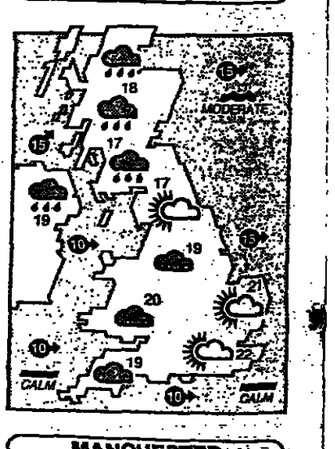
Retail Price Index: 106.6 (June)

London: The *FT* index closed up 10.6 at 1502.

### AM




### PM




### LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 21C (70F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 11C (52F). Humidity: 6 pm, 56 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.25 Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 7.5hr. Bar. mean sea level, 6 pm, 1019.0 millibars, falling. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

### MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 17C (63F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 9C (48F). Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, trace. Sun: 24 hr to 6 pm, 3.9hr.

### HIGHEST & LOWEST

Tuesday: highest day temp: Jersey 21C (70F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, Highland, 13C (55F); highest rainfall: Stansted, Essex 0.51in; highest sunshine: Isles of Scilly 13.1hr.

### YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

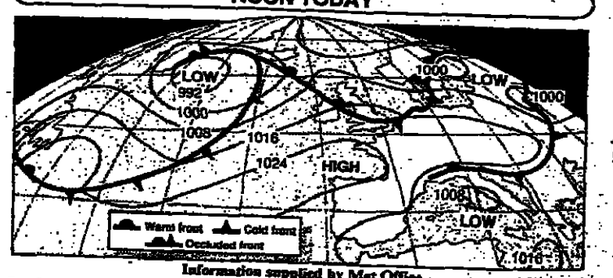
| | C | F | | | C | F | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belfast | 13 | 55 | c | Guernsey | 17 | 63 | s |
| B'mingham | 16 | 61 | c | Inverness | 15 | 59 | s |
| Blackpool | 15 | 59 | c | Jersey | 19 | 66 | s |
| Bristol | 17 | 63 | c | London | 19 | 66 | f |
| Cardiff | 18 | 64 | c | M'nchstar | 15 | 59 | c |
| Edinburgh | 15 | 59 | c | Newcastle | 16 | 61 | f |
| Glasgow | 13 | 55 | d | N'rnIreland | 14 | 57 | c |

### LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 9.13 pm to 5.01 am
Bristol 9.23 pm to 5.10 am
Edinburgh 9.44 pm to 4.55 am
Manchester 9.29 pm to 5.01 am
Penzance 9.30 pm to 5.27 am

Sun rises: 5.29 am
Sun sets: 8.43 pm
Moon sets: 2.11 pm
Moon rises: 10.57 pm
Last quarter 7.22pm

### NOON TODAY




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| MARKETS | THE POUND |
|---|---|
| FT 30 Share 1502.0 (+10.6) | US dollar 1.7105 (+0.0030) |
| FT-SE 100 1865.1 (+9.6) | W German mark 3.2072 (+0.0065) |
| USM (Datastream) 168.78 (same) | Trade-weighted 76.5 (–0.1) |

Executive Editor
David Brewerton

## Brussels' move sets puzzle

The surprise intervention of Brussels into the consortium bid by three leading drinks companies for Irish Distillers has set a puzzle for the City Takeover Panel over its standard bid timetable.

GC&C, the bidding company, must make any higher offer by Friday week and finally end its bid on August 26 — only two days after a suggested meeting in Brussels to overcome a potential veto on the bid.

The Takeover Code has special provisions to allow for a clear regulatory intervention, but has yet to make allowance for the intervention of the European Commissioner for Competition. The Commissioner has asked the bidders not to buy shares.

## Deals cleared

Lord Young of Graffham, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, will not refer the proposed acquisitions of Harris Queensway by Lowndes Ventures and Digsa, a Spanish subsidiary of Dee Corporation, by Ashley Industrial Trust.

## Hoechst peak

Hoechst AG, the giant West German chemical group, has announced record interim profits for the first half this year. Pre-tax earnings soared by 31.2 per cent to DM1.94 billion (£597 million).

### STOCK MARKETS

**New York**
Dow Jones ..... 2133.36 (+2.14)*
**Tokyo**
Nikkei Average . 28348.45 (–17.88)
**Hong Kong:**
Hang Seng ..... 2692.63 (–8.48)
**Amsterdam:** Gen ..... 281.5 (+1.3)
**Sydney:** AO ..... 1622.1 (–1.0)
**Frankfurt:**
Commerzbank ..... 1497.5 (+6.2)
**Brussels:**
General ..... 4930.6 (+10.6)
**Paris:** CAC ..... 358.7 (–0.3)
**Zurich:** SKA Gen ..... 474.0 (+7.1)
**London:**
FT—A All-Share .... 972.14 (+5.37)
FT—"500" ..... 1084.28 (+5.78)
FT. Gold Mines ..... 197.8 (–0.5)
FT. Fixed interest .... 97.69 (+0.15)
FT. Govt Secs ..... 87.98 (–0.04)

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### MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:
Vaux Group ..... 720p (+20p)
Blue Circle ..... 456½p (+10p)
Ibstock Johnsen ..... 199p (+11p)
Calor Group ..... 404p (+16p)
Trafalgar House .... 316½p (+11p)
Birmid Qualcast ..... 421p (+22p)
Chemring ..... 825p (+15p)
Laporte ..... 420p (+66p)
Land Securities ..... 598p (+12p)
MEPC ..... 559½p (+13p)
Pleasurama ..... 226p (+22p)
UK Land ..... 825p (+12p)
M J Gleeson ..... 555p (+10p)
Bassett Foods ..... 270½p (+10p)
Steetley ..... 348½p (+11p)
Slough Estates ..... 310½p (+15p)

FALLS:
Unitech ..... 227½p (–11p)
ERF ..... 439½p (–13p)
Stylo ..... 290p (–10p)
Davies & Newman .... 705p (–10p)
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Bargains ..... 23513

### INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 10½%
3-month Interbank 10⅝-10¾%
3-month eligible bills: $10^{7}/_{16}$-10⅝% buying rate
US: Prime Rate 9½%
Federal Funds $7^{11}/_{16}$%*
3-month Treasury Bills 6.90-6.88%*
30-year bonds $100^{8}/_{16}$-$100^{11}/_{32}$*

### CURRENCIES

| London: | New York: |
|---|---|
| £: $1.7105 | £: $1.7105* |
| £: DM3.2072 | $: DM1.8747* |
| £: SwFr2.6752 | $: SwFr1.5620* |
| £: FFr10.8172 | $: FFr6.3215* |
| £: Yen227.24 | $: Yen132.85* |
| £: Index:76.5 | $: Index:98.6 |
| ECU £0.650907 | SDR £0.757522 |

### GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $431.25 pm-$434.10
close $433.00-433.50 (£253.00-253.50)
New York:
Comex $432.30-432.80*

### NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Sept) pm $15.00bbl ($15.33)
* Denotes latest trading price

THE TIMES STOCK WATCH
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- Market news on Stockwatch yesterday included: Birmid Qualcast (02369) lifted 26p on takeover hopes; Pavilion Leisure (02893) soared 83p on Astra speculation; Vaux Group (02564) gained 21p after a stake changed hands and Trafalgar House (02710) surged 13p in expectation of the sale of oil and gas interest.
- Recent additions include: Pennine Resources 08375; Waverley Mining Finance Warrants 03409.
- Calls charged 5p for 8 seconds peak, 12 seconds off peak inc. VAT.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

# UK property faces invasion from Europe

By Cliff Feltham

A multi-million pound assault on the booming British property market is being planned by a number of Europe's leading financial institutions.

Cash-rich investment houses on mainland Europe believe Britain's stable currency and growth prospects make it an ideal base for creating a substantial property portfolio.

A further outbreak of takeover fever in the property sector is bound to push up prices of property shares which, according to one top firm of City stockbrokers yesterday, still look grossly undervalued.

The circular, from Kleinwort Grieveson Securities, was published at the same time as Peachey Property Corporation, owners of London's Carnaby Street, launched a vigorous defence against the £265 million takeover bid from the Dutch investment company, Wereldhave, claiming it was trying to buy the company on the cheap.

Mr John Brown, the Peachey managing director, claimed that property values in Britain were still moving strongly ahead, revealing a bumper 47 per cent increase in net assets per share to 629p, compared with the offer of 612p from the Dutch predator.

Mr Brown said Peachey's West End assets had gone up 60 per cent last year to £112 million while its Carnaby Street investment went up no less than 70 per cent to £75 million.

Its City properties rose 55 per cent to £12.1 million while

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in the rest of London they went up by 33 per cent to £79 million. For the South-east there was an overall increase of 21 per cent to more than £75 million.

Peachey said: "Wereldhave claim that there is nothing special about Peachey's portfolio and that it is difficult to manage. This begs the question why they are so interested in acquiring your company."

Mr Brown also announced a 24 per cent increase in pre-tax profits for the year just finished to £14.4 million, on the back of a 25 per cent increase in rents.

Wereldhave immediately reacted by claiming that its offer was generous.

The company said it gave Peachey shareholders a chance to cash in on a period when the property market had shown exceptional growth. But, judging from most property experts yesterday, there is no sign of any sudden end to the boom. As Wereldhave prepared for the next round of its struggle for Peachey, another Dutch group, Noro — which already has a £200 million portfolio in Britain — paid £43 million for Princess House next to London's Cannon Street Station. The building, being sold by S&W Berisford, the commodities group, is let to leading banks and produces a rental income of £2.4 million a year.

Mr Adrian de Morgan, chief executive of the quoted firm of surveyors de Morgan & Co, who handled the purchase for Noro, said: "A number of European investors, particularly Scandinavian, are taking a very aggressive stance towards the UK at the present time. They are competing very hard with traditional institutional investors. They are confident of seeing a lot of rental growth coming in over the next few years. They look on themselves as long-term investors in the UK."

Mr Robert Campbell, a partner with Jones Lang Wootton, the surveyor, said restrictions lifted on overseas investment by Scandivanian countries had prompted considerable interest in the British market.

## Aga helps keep Glynwed profits on the boil




At home on the range: Gareth Davies finds the temperature to his liking, thanks to Glynwed's latest half-time results

## Teamwork tells at half-time with £32m

By Alexandra Jackson

Glynwed International, the engineering company which has Aga and Rayburn stoves in its range of products, lifted pre-tax profits in the half-year to end-June from £25.6 million to £32.5 million.

Sales were up from £260 million to £311.6 million. An interim dividend of 3.45p was declared — up 20 per cent on last year's 2.88p.

Mr Gareth Davies, chairman and chief executive of Glynwed, said the three main operating divisions — consumer and building products, steel and engineering and tubes and fittings — had made equal contributionsto the advance.

Those from the Aga-Rayburn business and plastics, however, had been especially pleasing, he added.

Acquisitions boosted sales by £20 million and added £2.5 million to interim pre-tax profits.

Since the half year-end, Glynwed has spent £98 million on Amari, a steel and plastics distribution business, and £4.1 million on Kohlangaz Fire Company, manufacturer of fuel-effect gas fires, and its Easiflame subsidiary.

Glynwed shares fell from 312p to 308p yesterday.

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# Ecu bills no substitute for EMS, says Brussels

*From Michael Dynes, Brussels*

The European Commission yesterday warmly welcomed proposals by Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, to issue short-term Treasury bills denominated in European Currency Units.

But it warned the move would not be accepted as a substitute for Britain's participation in the European Monetary System's exchange rate mechanism.

The Commission said the initiative had been inspired by a desire to increase the role of the City in the burgeoning Ecu market, and endorsed Mr Lawson's claim that the short-term Ecu bill would place Britain at its centre.

"It will be the first internationally traded short-term equity denominated in Ecus," a spokesman said. Previously, only Italy has issued Treasury bills denominated in Ecus, but their use is restricted to domestic residents.

The Commission has repeatedly expressed its regret of the absence of such Treasury bills, which it says have inhibited the development of an active and liquid Ecu money market.

The new Ecu Treasury bills are expected to overcome this shortcoming and should also create an investment outlet for holders of Ecu assets, thereby enhancing the Ecu's role as an international reserve and intervention currency.

The launch of the Treasury bill, described by Mr Lawson as a concrete and practical step towards increased European monetary co-operation, comes barely a week after Mrs Thatcher dismissed as "airy-fairy" calls by M Jacques Delors, the President of the European Commission, for much greater economic monetary co-operation.

The Commission insisted the initiative was not to be seen as a substitute for Britain's participation in the European exchange rate mechanism, and would only become fully significant when Britain finally agreed to do so.

A committee established to explore the issue of European and economic co-operation, is expected to recommend that sterling participates in the exchange rate mechanism when it reports in April.

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## City welcomes Lawson's initiative

By Rodney Lord
Economics Editor

The Government's initiative to issue Ecu denominated Treasury bills was welcomed in the City and seen as going some way to meet criticism from elsewhere in Europe.

Mr Peter Spencer of Crédit Suisse First Boston said: "The Ecu Treasury bills will increase the options open to the Chancellor when he wants to intervene in the foreign exchange market.

"Britain is trying to meet criticism by the French that the participation of sterling in the Ecu, but not in the exchange rate mechanism of the EMS, increases exchange rate volatility and limits the use of the Ecu in the private sector."

National Westminster said it could give the Ecu market in London a fillip. "Having acted as a participant in the Ecu market for a number of years we welcome anything which helps to expand it."

Mr Christopher Johnson of Lloyds Bank said: "The corporate sector has been rather reluctant to use the Ecu and we would hope that now the Government is issuing Ecu paper companies would begin to use it to finance some of their trade with the EEC. Government use of the Ecu gives it a new kind of respectability."

## Lautro censures life offices for misleading advertising

By Lawrence Lever

Fourteen top life offices have been rapped over the knuckles for putting out misleading advertisements which breached the rules of Lautro, the self-regulating organization which controls the way in which life assurance and unit trusts are marketed.

The life offices are members of Camifa, the body formed last year to promote the selling of insurance through independent intermediaries which offer a range of different companies' products.

They include Clerical Medical & General, Norwich Union, Scottish Amicable and Scottish Widows.

The offending advertisements attacked the method of selling insurance or unit trusts by company salesmen who offer only their company's products. Two Camifa slogans in particular were found by Lautro's monitoring committee to breach its rules.

They were: "Someone should do something about life insurance salesmen", and, "At last. Insurance against Insurance Salesmen".

Lautro said in a bulletin published yesterday that both slogans were "capable of being misunderstood and were misleading".

Mr Malcolm Reid, the Lautro chief executive, has written to all 14 life offices pointing out the breaches of the rules and seeking an assurance that they would not be repeated.

According to Mr Kit Jebens, the head of Lautro's monitoring committee, all of the life offices "acknowledged the monitoring committee's decision". The Camifa advertisements were withdrawn before Lautro's decision.

They had previously been criticized by the Advertising Standards Authority.

Friendly societies also came under fire from Lautro in its bulletin. It is concerned about the societies' "Member get member" schemes, whereby existing members are encouraged to recommend the society's services to a friend in return for a fee or gift if successful.

According to Lautro this may well amount to friendly societies exhorting their members to carry on investment business without authorization.

Lautro also surveyed investment advertisements and found evidence of inadequate risk warnings being given.

## CAP rises by 42% to record

By Carol Ferguson

CAP Group, the computer software company, had a record year in its last full year before consummating the merger with Sema-Metra, France's leading systems company.

In the 12 months to April 30, turnover jumped by 44 per cent to £113 million and pre-tax profits rose by 42 per cent to £8.3 million.

Profits were boosted by four acquisitions made in the year.

The full year's dividend was raised by 20 per cent to 2.16p.

The combined group is to be renamed Sema Group, not Semacap as announced, and is changing its year-end to December. The next set of results will therefore be for the eight month period to December. The shares were steady at 306p.

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## Courtaulds spends £25m on leading US underwear firm

By Wolfgang Münchau

Courtaulds, Britain's largest textile group, yesterday announced the acquisition of Liberty Fabrics in a deal worth $48 million (£25 million). Liberty is a leading US manufacturer of lace and elastomerics, the base material for underwear, bras and swimming trunks.

The acquisition will double Courtaulds' turnover in this sector to an estimated $300 million, and signals a significant step towards the internationalization of Courtaulds' textile business, which last year showed a turnover of £982 million.

Foreign sales accounted for merely 25 per cent, less than the group average of 52 per cent. The acquisition will push up this ratio to more than 31 per cent.

Mr Tim Adams, an analyst at BZW, said the acquisition marked "the first major move by Courtaulds to expand its textile interests for a decade." He said that Liberty fitted in well with Courtaulds' existing operations, which include a US-based arm of its West German offshoot Penn International. Last year New York-based Liberty had annual turnover of about $100 million with trading profits of $10 million.



Taylor: top managers

The total consideration is payable in two tranches, an initial payment of $43 million, with a further deferred payment dependent on 1988 earnings.

Mr Martin Taylor, the Courtaulds director of textiles, said: "Liberty has been high on our acquisition priority list for some time. It has an excellent track record, and one of the best management teams in the US textiles sector."

Mr Taylor said that no further acquisitions were planned in the lace and elastomerics business.

Courtaulds shares closed 1p up at 253p.

### 'Telecommuting' to end grind for one in six

## Take the office home, urges CBI head

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

Telephone-linked computers and facsimile machines could allow 4 million people, or one in six of the working population, to carry on their jobs and businesses at home by 1995.

Mr John Banham, director-general of the Confederation of British Industry (CBI), forecasts that the number of people working from home will double within seven years.

Commmuting as we know it, through the grind of motorway queues by car, the increasingly crushed conditions on British Rail and the dash to airports, will increasingly be replaced by "telecommuting".

To speed the working revolution Mr Banham plans to press companies to move more of their United Kingdom workforces out of the office and into homes linked by telecommunications.

Mr Banham said: "We are now in the midst of a telecommunications revolution which is moving so fast that there will be no need for many people to commute in the accepted sense to London, Birmingham, Manchester, Glasgow or a score of other cities."

Telecommuting would cut costs, Mr Banham argues. It would reduce company overheads through savings on high-cost office space and efficiency would be higher without the hassle of old-fashioned commuting.

There could be an impact on the problem of skill shortages which have been growing despite the levels of unemployment which have been persisting in Britain. Improvements might be seen in the acquiring of new skills because more people would, working from home, be able to find the time to combine training and their work responsibilities. That would then lead to an increase in business growth and profitability.

The CBI expects the single common market in 1992 to bring another dimension to telecommuting.

To explore the implications of the single market for setting up working from home, a conference is being organized in London next month by the CBI and British Telecom. Conference speakers will include Mr Iain Vallance, British Telecom chairman, Sir John Harvey-Jones, former chairman of Imperial Chemical Industries, and Mr Norman Willis, TUC general secretary.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

## Alfred McAlpine plans to merge house builder

**Alfred McAlpine, the construction group, is planning to merge its house-building division, Alfred McAlpine Homes, with the Canberra, the private group which is based in the Midlands. Alfred McAlpine sold 1,400 homes in the financial year 1986-87. Of these, 1,250 were in Britain, and the rest in North America. With Canberra included, unit sales could rise to 2,000 units a year in this country.**

**No redundancies are planned, nor is there expected to be any change in the operating structure of the enlarged division. Alfred McAlpine has four divisions — in Surrey, Scotland, Cheshire and Essex. Canberra's operations are in Solihull, in the West Midlands, and Bournemouth, Dorset. Alfred McAlpine Homes contributed £7.3 million to group profits of £31 million last year. Alfred McAlpine's share rose 6p to 438p yesterday.**

## Era adds to Beatties chain

**Era Group, the specialist retailer to which Mr Murray Gordon and two other former Combined English Stores executives moved last November, has added eight new stores to its Beatties model and hobby chain. No price has been disclosed for the deals. The group is buying Michael Carter (Halifax), with two stores, and the Scottish chain R&C Muirhead. The purchases bring to 55 the number of stores owned by Beatties.**

## Steetley sale to fund buy

**Steetley has unveiled plans to sell Steetley Talc Inc, its talc operation in Canada. It will use part of the proceeds to buy Harmar Brick, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, which is owned by Iron City Sash and Door. Steetley Talc produces 45,000 tons of talc mineral a year in its North American plants. Harmar will add 25 million bricks a year to the 110 million a year Steetley already produces in its North American operations.**

## Expansion by Helene

**Helene, a manufacturer and distributor of men's and women's clothes, yesterday announced the acquisition of London-based Just Jamie and Paulrich in a deal worth £3.8 million, to be satisfied by an initial cash payment of £1.5 million to be followed by the issue of three tranches of loan stock.**

**Just Jamie is a manufacturer and distributor of tailored suits, jackets and skirts with sales in the six months to December of £4.6 million and pre-tax profits of £343,000. Mr Montague Burkeman, Helene's chairman, said: "The design, manufacture and distribution of tailored suits and jackets is a new area for Helene. The extra capacity provided by the acquisition will also increase our market with existing customers."**

## Polypipe in £3m deal

**Polypipe, which makes plastic plumbing products, has agreed to buy Mason Pinder, a maker of mould tools and injection moulds based in Humberside and South Yorkshire, for a maximum £3 million. Payment is in new shares, with £1.25 million due initially and the balance depending on future profits. The company said Mason Pinder had been closely involved in the design and manufacture of its products.**

## New arrival from Japan

**Milton Keynes has attracted its 28th Japanese company — Dai-Ichi Seiko which makes precision engineering plastics — and claims the highest concentration of Japanese companies in Britain, except for London. The newcomer is to open a £750,000 factory at Bradwell Abbey. Milton Keynes has a Japanese school and has appointed what is claimed to be Britain's first civic Anglo-Japanese liaison officer, Mr Jeremy Golden.**

WALL STREET

# Dow rises slightly in early trading

New York (Reuter) — Shares remained narrowly mixed and directionless in early trading yesterday. Miss Susan Marker, a trader at Janney Montgomery Scott, said: "It's so quiet I can't believe it. Traders are waiting, but I'm not sure what for. They want somebody else to take the lead first."

The Dow Jones industrial average was 2 points higher at 2,133.22, but a few more issues showed losses than rises. Miss Marker added: "We're not doing anything. We had no new orders this morning and that's very unusual."

● **Tokyo** — The Nikkei index fell by 17.88 points, or 0.06 per cent, to 28,348.45. It rose by 40.02 points to close at a record 28,366.33 on Tuesday. Rises almost matched falls in a light turnover of 800 million shares, unchanged from Tuesday.

Prices closed mixed with the market pausing after gains for seven consecutive days, culminating in a record close on Tuesday.

● **Hong Kong** — The Hang Seng index lost 8.46 points to 2,692.63 and the Hong Kong index was down by 5.27 to 1,780.81. Turnover eased to HK$626.01 million (£46.76 million) from Tuesday's HK$652.76 million.

Stocks closed slightly lower in fairly quiet trading, clouded by concern about a flurry of forthcoming fund-raising exercises by listed companies.

● **Frankfurt** — The Commerzbank 60-share index, calculated at midday, rose by 6.2 points or 0.4 per cent to 1,497.5. The DAX 30-share index ended 3.46 points or 0.3 per cent up at 1,187.67

| | Aug 2 | Aug 1 | | Aug 2 | Aug 1 | | Aug 2 | Aug 1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| AMR Cp | 46⅞ | 46¾ | Fedders | 10½ | 10¾ | Pennzoil | 72½ | 72⅝ |
| ASA | 40 | 40⅛ | Fst Chicago | 34½ | 33⅝ | Pepsico | 36⅛ | 36⅜ |
| Aetna Life | 47 | 46½ | Fst Int Bncp | 52⅝ | 52⅝ | Pfizer | 51⅞ | 51⅝ |
| Allied Signal | 35⅛ | 35½ | Fst Penn C | 11 | 11 | Phelps Dod | 38⅝ | 40⅝ |
| Allis Chalm | ⅜ | ⅜ | FT Wachva | 39 | 39½ | Philip Mor | 91½ | 91¼ |
| Alcoa | 53⅜ | 54 | Ford Motor | 53⅞ | 53½ | Philip Pet | 17⅜ | 17½ |
| Amax Inc | 22⅞ | 23⅜ | GAF Cp | 46¼ | 46⅝ | Pittsburgh | 38½ | 38⅝ |
| AMR Hess | 28⅝ | 28⅞ | GTE Cp | 40⅜ | 40⅜ | Polaroid | 40⅝ | 41½ |
| Am Brands | 46⅝ | 47⅜ | Gen Cp | 20½ | 20⅝ | Primerica | 25⅛ | 25⅝ |
| Am Cynmd | 50⅜ | 50⅜ | Gn Dynam | 53⅛ | 53 | Proct Gble | 75⅝ | 75 |
| Am Ele Pwr | 28½ | 29⅜ | Gen Electric | 42⅝ | 42½ | Pub SE Gr | 23⅜ | 23⅝ |
| Amexs | 29 | 29⅜ | Gen Inst | 34½ | 34⅜ | R Nabisco | 51¼ | 51⅛ |
| Am Family | 13⅜ | 13⅜ | Gen Mills | 49⅛ | 48 | Raytheon | 67⅛ | 67½ |
| Am Home | 75⅛ | 75⅝ | Gen Motors | 79⅛ | 80 | Rynlds Metl | 52⅜ | 53⅜ |
| Am Int Grp | 61⅛ | 60⅜ | Gen Pub Ut | 34⅜ | 34½ | Rockwell Int | 21½ | 21⅝ |
| Am Telph | 26⅝ | 26⅝ | Genesco | 4¼ | 4⅝ | Royal Dutch | 115⅛ | 115⅝ |
| Amoco Cp | 76⅛ | 77½ | Georgia Pac | 38⅝ | 38⅝ | SFE Sopac | 20⅛ | 20⅝ |
| Anheuser B | 30⅜ | 29⅝ | Gillette | 36½ | 37½ | Sara Lee | 38⅝ | 39⅛ |
| Arch Dan | 20¼ | 20⅜ | Goodrich | 49⅝ | 49½ | Schlumb | 35 | 34⅞ |
| Armco Steel | 10⅝ | 11⅛ | Goodyear | 61⅛ | 62⅜ | Scott Paper | 37⅛ | 38⅛ |
| Asarco Inc | 25 | 25⅛ | Gould Inc | 15 | 15⅛ | Seagram | 56⅛ | 56⅜ |
| Ashland Oil | 37⅞ | 37½ | Grace Co | 26⅛ | 26⅜ | Sears Roeb | 36⅝ | 36½ |
| Atl Richfld | 83⅛ | 83½ | Grt Atl Pac | 40⅞ | 41⅛ | Sec Pac | 38⅜ | 38⅛ |
| Avon Prod | 24⅛ | 25 | Greyhnd | 31½ | 31½ | Shell Trans | 73⅝ | 74⅛ |
| Bk Boston | 29⅜ | 29⅛ | Grumen | 21⅜ | 21¼ | Smith Beck | 46⅛ | 46⅜ |
| Bank NY | 35 | 34⅞ | Gulf Westn | 43⅜ | 43⅜ | Sony Cp | 52⅞ | 52⅞ |
| Bankamer | 14 | 14 | Heinz | 42 | 41½ | SW Bell | 38⅝ | 38⅝ |
| Bkrs Tst NY | 38 | 38⅜ | Hercules | 47½ | 46⅝ | Squibb | 67 | 67¼ |
| Baxter | 20⅛ | 20⅛ | Hewlett Pk | 51⅝ | 51½ | Sun Comp | 58⅝ | 58¼ |
| Beth Steel | 24⅞ | 25 | Honeywell | 66⅛ | 64⅝ | TDK | 80 | 80⅝ |
| Boeing | 62⅜ | 62½ | IC Ind | 34⅛ | 34⅛ | TRW Inc | 46⅝ | 47⅛ |
| Borse Casc | 44⅞ | 44⅞ | ITT Cp | 50⅛ | 50⅛ | Teledyne | 329⅝ | 329½ |
| Borden | 52⅛ | 53 | INCO | 31⅜ | 31⅜ | Tennecо | 48⅝ | 48⅜ |
| Bnstl Meyr | 43 | 43¼ | Ing Rand Wi | 40⅛ | 40⅜ | Texaco | 47½ | 48⅛ |
| BP | 53⅞ | 53⅜ | Inland Steel | 39⅝ | 38⅜ | Tex Eastn | 25⅝ | 26⅛ |
| Brunswick | 22 | 22½ | IBM | 125⅝ | 126 | Texas Inst | 44 | 44 |
| Burl Nth | 66½ | 66⅛ | Int Paper | 46⅝ | 45⅝ | Tex Util | 28⅜ | 28⅜ |
| CBS | 163¾ | 161⅝ | Irving Bk | 67 | 67⅛ | Textron | 24 | 24⅜ |
| Cms Engy | 20⅝ | 20⅝ | Jhsn & Jhsn | 80⅝ | 80⅝ | Travelers | 34½ | 34⅝ |
| CPC Int | 47 | 46½ | K Mart | 34½ | 34⅛ | UAL Cp | 97¾ | 97⅞ |
| CSX Cp | 26⅝ | 26⅝ | Kaisertech | 16 | 17⅞ | USG Cp | 7⅛ | 7⅛ |
| Camp Soup | 27⅞ | 26⅝ | Kerr McGee | 34½ | 34⅜ | USX Cp | 30⅜ | 30⅝ |
| Can Pacific | 18⅝ | 18⅜ | Kimbrly Clrk | 58⅝ | 58⅜ | Unilever Plc | 33 | 33⅛ |
| Caterpillar | 63 | 62½ | Krsh | 54⅝ | 54⅝ | Un Carbide | 24¼ | 23⅝ |
| Centrl SW | 31⅛ | 31⅝ | Kroger | 34⅜ | 34⅜ | Un Pac Cp | 60⅜ | 61 |
| Champion | 34½ | 34½ | LTV Cp | 3⅝ | 3⅜ | Unisys Cp | 34⅝ | 34⅜ |
| Chase Man | 30 | 29⅝ | Litton | 74⅝ | 76 | Unit Brand | 15⅜ | 15⅝ |
| Chem Bank | 32⅜ | 31⅝ | Lockheed | 44⅛ | 44⅛ | Us West | 56 | 56½ |
| Chevron | 47⅛ | 48 | Lone Star | 32⅜ | 33⅜ | Utd Tech | 38⅜ | 37⅝ |
| Chrysler | 22½ | 23⅛ | Man H'wer | 30 | 29⅝ | Unocal | 36½ | 36¼ |
| Chicorp | 24⅝ | 25 | Manville | 1⅞ | 2 | Warn Lamb | 70⅜ | 71¼ |
| Clark Eq | 34½ | 34½ | Mapco | 58 | 58¼ | Wells Far | 64⅜ | 64½ |
| Coca Cola | 38 | 37⅝ | Marriott | 28¾ | 28½ | Westg El | 52⅝ | 53⅜ |
| Colgate | 42¼ | 43⅛ | Mt Marrieta | 41⅝ | 41⅛ | Weyershr | 25⅞ | 24⅜ |
| Columb Gas | 33⅜ | 33⅞ | Masco | 26⅜ | 27⅜ | Whirlpool | 26⅛ | 26¾ |
| Cmb'tn Eng | 32½ | 32⅜ | Mcdonalds | 46 | 45⅝ | Woolworth | 50⅝ | 51 |
| Cmwlth Edi | 29⅜ | 29½ | McDonnell | 65⅝ | 65⅜ | Xerox Cp | 53⅝ | 53½ |
| Cons Edis | 44½ | 44⅝ | Mead Cp | 41¼ | 41½ | Zenith | 24⅜ | 22⅝ |
| Consol Ng | 35⅞ | 36⅜ | Merck | 57⅞ | 56⅜ | | | |
| Cont Data | 22⅞ | 22⅝ | Minsta Mng | 64 | 63⅜ | **CANADIAN PRICES** | | |
| Corning Gl | 59⅛ | 59 | Mobil | 45⅝ | 45⅛ | | | |
| Crane | 31¼ | 30⅝ | Monsanto | 87 | 87⅜ | Agnco Eag | 16⅝ | 16⅝ |
| Curtiss W | 50 | 49⅞ | Montedison | 13⅜ | 13⅜ | Alcan Alum | 37⅝ | 37½ |
| Data Genl | 17½ | 18⅛ | Morgan Jp | 38 | 37⅞ | Algoma Stl | 26.37 | 26.37 |
| Deere Co | 45⅝ | 46⅛ | Motorola | 47¾ | 48⅛ | Can Pacific | 22½ | 22⅛ |
| Delta Air | 50⅝ | 50⅝ | NCR | 58 | 58⅜ | Cominco | 18⅝ | 20½ |
| Detroit Edi | 14½ | 14½ | NL Indstrs | 7 | 6⅞ | Con Bathrst | 15⅛ | 15½ |
| Digital Eq | 104 | 106⅝ | Nat Md Ent | 22⅝ | 22⅝ | Hawk S Can | 24½ | 24⅛ |
| Disney | 63⅝ | 63⅝ | Nat Semi | 11 | 11⅛ | Hud Bay M | 18⅜ | 18⅜ |
| Dow Chem | 88 | 87⅝ | Norfolk Sth | 28½ | 28½ | Imasco | 25 | 25⅝ |
| Dresr Ind | 30⅜ | 30⅝ | NW Bancrp | 32¼ | 32⅜ | Imperial Oil | 57⅞ | 57⅝ |
| Dupont | 68 | 67½ | Occid Petl | 25⅜ | 26⅛ | Inco | 37⅞ | 38⅛ |
| Duke Pwr | 45⅛ | 45⅝ | Ogden Cp | 28 | 27⅞ | Royl Trstco | 16⅛ | 16½ |
| East Kodak | 45½ | 44⅞ | Olin Cp | 48⅝ | 48⅜ | Seagram | 57⅞ | 57⅝ |
| Eaton Cp | 83½ | 83¼ | PPG Ind | 44½ | 45 | Shelco 'A' | 24⅛ | 25 |
| Emerson El | 30⅝ | 30⅝ | Pac Enterp | 45⅝ | 45 | Thmsn N 'A' | 27 | 27 |
| Emery Air | 4⅜ | 4⅜ | Pac Gas El | 16⅝ | 16⅝ | Vanty Cp | 3.85 | 3.85 |
| Exxon | 46⅝ | 46⅝ | Pan Am | 2⅝ | 2⅝ | WCT | 16⅝ | 16⅝ |
| Farah Inc | 8⅞ | 8⅝ | Penney JC | 49⅜ | 47⅝ | Weston | 33⅞ | 33⅞ |

TEMPUS

# No signs of slowdown at Glynwed

Glynwed International's targets of 20 per cent earnings per share growth and a 25 per cent return on capital have been comfortably exceeded over the past six years.

But, given the law of diminishing returns, it may become difficult for the company to continue to chart such a strong performance.

Making acquisitions plays an important part in Glynwed's strategy, as does investing new capital in the business.

Yesterday's interim figures, showing a 20 per cent rise in sales and a 27 per cent jump in pre-tax profits, included organic sales growth of 12 per cent and pre-tax profits growth of 17 per cent. The balance came from acquisitions.

Capital expenditure, excluding acquisitions, is budgeted to reach £30 million by the year-end, about double last year's figure. A policy of updating plant and equipment keeps operating costs down and reinforces Glynwed's claim to be a low-cost producer.

Against this background the group's first-half return on capital of 43.5 per cent is all the more impressive.

The purchase of Amari, the steel and plastics distribution company, for £98 million in June strengthens Glynwed's position both domestically and in the increasingly important European field.

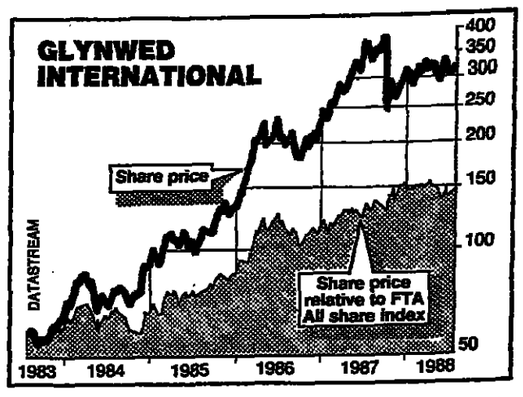
Glynwed remains confident that this expansion, thought at the time to value Amari very fully, will not lead to any dilution in earnings per share. Gearing, after this and another small acquisition made since the period-end, will rise from last year's modest 3 per cent to about 15 per cent by the year-end.

The South African subsidiary remains unsold, and may have to be broken up to meet the management's ambition to dispose of it by the end of the year. Its losses were reduced during the half year to £173,000, having lost a million pounds during 1987.

All Glynwed's divisions contributed to the sound first-half progress. There are no signs of a slowdown.

The group is on target to make about £82 million for the full year, up from £60.4 million in 1987. Earnings per share on this basis would be 29p.

The shares are not overpriced, compared with other stocks in the sector, on a prospective p/e of 10.7 times earnings, and offer significantly better growth potential.




## Dale Electric

Dale Electric International has the dubious distinction of being one of those companies which pays more to the banks in interest payments than it does to shareholders in dividends.

Its current share price, at 101p, is also below the effective 110½p cash alternative offer (or, as then measured, 133p in shares) made by Sunleigh Electronics during its bid of May last year, while Dale's latest pre-tax profit at £1.7 million is still shy of the 1984 outcome when £2.16 million was achieved.

But the past is the past, and with a record £24 million order book in hand Dale could find the market in a forgiving mood — if the light which appears to be shining at the end of the tunnel strikes this year's profit and loss account.

Though pre-tax profits for the year ended May 1 are up from £1.1 million to £1.7 million the advance owes more to reduced interest payments because of lower gearing and to a higher contribution from related companies rather than to any startling improvement at the trading level.

Trading profits, *per se*, were merely up from £2.25 million to £2.38 million, though at least the trading margins improved, on a lower turnover, from 5.5 per cent to 6 per cent.

Dale's objective is to improve margins to at least the industry average (running at between 8 and 9 per cent) by going for added-value rather than chasing volume, by cutting down sharply on the level of imported materials used — at 70 per cent the room for cost savings is immense — and by further rationalization measures. The goal is also for a further improvement in its return on capital employed, up last year from 8 per cent to 12 per cent.

Gearing is already down from the 68 per cent of a year earlier to 49 per cent, with a target this year set at 40 per cent, and acquisitions are in mind — though not, presumably, at current share prices.

Dale could be on course for pre-tax profits of £2.47 million this year to give the shares at 101p, down 4p, a rating of 8.1. The shares thus have their attractions, not only because the faster recovery aspect now evident could well attract another bidder, but also because there is the support of a prospective 6 per cent yield and the come-on of potential earnings growth.

## CAP Group

All European companies now have at least one eye on 1992. In the case of CAP Group, the British systems company, Europeanization includes merging with its French counterpart Sema Metra and a change of name to Sema Group. As a by-product of the merger, the combined group, which still has its headquarters in Britain, now has 60 per cent of its equity in French hands, and looks uncomfortably vulnerable to takeover.

Originally, the intention was to rename the merged group Semacap, incorporating elements of both companies' names. However, the company said that trademark problems, and potential confusion with its arch-competitor and unwelcome 13.6 per cent shareholder CAP Gemini Sogeti, caused the group to drop the suffix.

CAP's results for the last financial year, to April 30, show turnover and profits rising more than 40 per cent, helped by acquisitions. Earnings per share rose 26 per cent, a rate of growth near the underlying rate of growth of CAP's core businesses excluding acquisitions.

Last year, its financial services profits were hit only slightly by the October stock market crash due to its concentration on fast-growing retail sales systems.

This year, the picture will be muddied by the change of year-end to December. Profits for the eight months to December are expected to be about £11.2 million. For the 12 months to December, pro forma pre-tax profits are forecast to be a shade more than £20 million, giving a prospective multiple of 21.5.

But perhaps the biggest influence on the share price will be the City's belief that CAP Gemini Sogeti has a standing order to buy whenever the price slips to 300p. Banque Paribas, the French bank, has a 40 per cent stake in the group, and the City is mindful of the fate of Hoskyns, which was taken over after Martin Marietta sold its 68 per cent stake to Plessey without warning. Hoskyns fell on a 28 times multiple. A similar valuation of CAP Group implies a price of 400p. Shareholders should hang on.

STOCK MARKET

# Property shares are boosted by Kleinwort Grieveson review

Investors got the bit between their teeth yesterday and chased property shares sharply higher. An important review of the sector by Kleinwort Grieveson Securities, the broker, is expected to drop on fund managers' desks this morning, claiming that the sector is grossly undervalued.

Kleinwort has calculated that the shares of property investment companies are standing at a prospective discount to their net asset value of 35 per cent — the type of discount that might be expected at the bottom of a bear market.

Kleinwort's property team, Mr Christopher Walls, Mrs Judith Huntley and Mr Alistair MacDonald, says that it does not expect these conditions to prevail for long. The team is bullish about the real estate market — apart from City offices — and expects surpluses on valuation for the year to March 1989 to be about 25 per cent — almost twice the rate of earnings growth for the rest of the market.

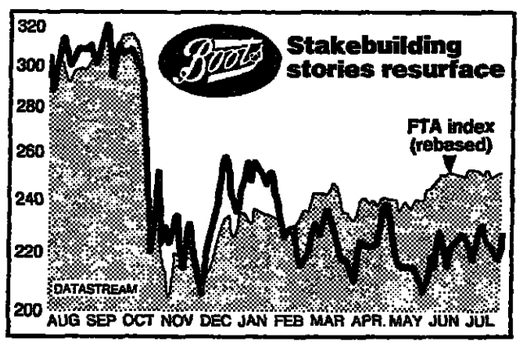
The team says other analysts have been far too cautious about prospective net asset values and valuation surpluses.

Kleinwort is convinced that the average discount to net asset value could widen to 20 per cent next year because of continued nervousness about the City office market in the wake of the stock market crash.

Mrs Huntley says: "This implies upside potential in property shares of up to 20 per cent on current prices because of the expected 25 per cent valuation surpluses next year."

News of the survey provided the property sector with an unexpected flurry of activity, among which were those shares that Kleinwort's team is now recommending to its clients. These included investment companies like British Land, 9p higher to 358p, Brixton Estates, 6p to 331p, Great Portland Estates, 7p to 357p and Land Securities, 12p to 589p. It also covers property developers and traders like Dares Estates, unchanged at 33p, London & Edinburgh Trust, 3p higher at 155p, London & Metropolitan, unchanged at 181p and Sheraton Securities, steady at 86p.

The rest of the equity market shrugged off Tuesday's hesitancy by scoring some useful gains with the help of revived bid speculation. Share prices gave back some of their gains following a dull start on Wall Street but recovered their poise during after hours to finish just below their best levels of the day. The FT-SE 100 finished 9.6 up at 1,865.1 while the narrower FT index of 30 shares crept back above the 1,500 level with a rise of 10.6 to 1,502.0.




A total of 416.1 million alpha and beta shares were traded on the Stock Exchange's computerized trading system (Seaq).

Government securities closed with gains of £⅛ at the longer end ahead of next week's auction result.

Among the bid favourites, Vaux Group, the north of England brewer and hotel group, rose 20p to 720p following confirmation that Sir Ron Brierley had sold his 2.8 per cent holding to Mr John Bairstow's Queens Moat hotel group. Queens Moat now owns almost 5 per cent of Vaux which has often been tipped in the market as a takeover target.

**Ibstock Johnsen, the quality brick maker, stood out with a rise of 11p to 199p. Dealers are still claiming that the group will soon be the subject of an agreed bid of 275p a share, valuing the company at more than £540 million. Blue Circle Industries, Britain's biggest cement producer, and Tarmac have both been tipped as potential suitors.**

**Amersham International, the specialist diagnostics group, rallied from recent profit-taking, climbing by 10p to 666p. The Government has decided to relinquish its golden share options which, brokers claim, leaves the group open to an unwanted bid despite the articles of association which prevent anyone from owning more than 15 per cent of the shares.**

**Securiguard, the security and industrial cleaning group, has clinched Scotland's first cleaning contract for NHS hospitals. It is with the Grampian Health Authority and worth almost £5 million over three years. Similar deals are expected to follow. The shares were unchanged at 222p.**

**Millicom is still hoping to overturn Racal's plans for the £400 million flotation of Vodafone. It wants a complete demerger and argues shareholders will suffer a double discount if Racal has its way. Yesterday it gave its views to analysts at Chase Manhattan Securities. Racal rose 5p to 329.5p.**

ICI, Fisons and Du Pont continue to be tipped as likely suitors.

Meanwhile, stake-building stories have resurfaced at Boots, the high street chemist, which responded with a rise of 7p to 227p. Last year Hanson bought a small stake in the company, fuelling hopes that a full bid would follow. But Hanson later sold out and the share price suffered.

The acquisition of Flint Laboratories in the US by Boots attracted criticism of the group and full-year figures this summer fell short of City expectations and highlighted just how vulnerable the group remained. Since then, there has been talk that it has undertaken a revaluation of its extensive property portfolio which, it is reckoned, could boost the asset valuation from about 160p to almost 500p a share.

Brokers say that such a revaluation would provide the group with valuable ammunition with which to fight an unwanted approach.

Recent takeover favourite Reed International slipped by 6p to 454p as Cazenove, the broker, tried to place about 1 million shares.

**Michael Clark**

ALPHA STOCKS

| | Vol '000 | | Vol '000 | | Vol '000 | | Vol '000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ADT | 5,558 | Coats | 472 | Land Sec | 1,295 | Royal Ins | 1,765 |
| Abbey | 1,245 | CU | 6,871 | Laporte | 46 | Saatchi | 298 |
| Aitd-Lyons | 1,369 | Cons Gold | 1,107 | L&G | 328 | Sainsbury | 1,440 |
| Amstrad | 2,658 | Cookson | 355 | Lloyds | 1,158 | Scot & N | 608 |
| ASDA | 770 | Courtaulds | 605 | Lonrho | 417 | Sears | 5,502 |
| AB Foods | 589 | Dalgety | 489 | Lucas | 742 | Sedgwick | 548 |
| Argyll | 1,050 | Dee | 2,856 | Magnet | 1,204 | Shell | 1,001 |
| BAA | 3,024 | Dixons | 958 | M&S | 2,081 | Smith & N | 659 |
| BET | 779 | ECC | 153 | Maxwell Cm | 1,244 | Smith WH | 640 |
| BTR | 1,472 | Enterprise | 1,287 | MEPC | 1,081 | Smiths Ind | 2,700 |
| BAT | 2,235 | Ferranti | 3,026 | Metal Box | 1,598 | STC | 1,557 |
| Barclays | 1,418 | Fisons | 3,990 | Midland | 429 | Stan Chart | 189 |
| Bass | 645 | FKI Babck | 3,240 | NatWest | 823 | Storehse | 462 |
| Beecham | 567 | Gen Acc | 538 | Next | 1,048 | Sun Allnce | 328 |
| Beazer | 1,545 | GEC | 9,049 | Nth Food | 600 | T & N | 398 |
| Bensfd SW | 294 | Glaxo | 1,117 | P&O | 1,166 | Tarmac | 1,367 |
| BICC | 506 | Globe Inv | 554 | Pearl | 23 | Tate & Lyle | 708 |
| Blue Arrow | 181 | Glynwed | 1,102 | Pearson | 111 | TSB | 2,215 |
| Blue Circle | 1,075 | Granada | 852 | Pilkington | 1,553 | Tesco | 3,122 |
| BOC | 2,263 | Grand Met | 1,134 | Plessey | 503 | Thorn EMI | 867 |
| Boots | 4,033 | GUS 'A' | 282 | Prudential | 1,691 | Trafalgar | 2,513 |
| BPB | 681 | GRE | 6,846 | Racal | 3,896 | THF | 1,423 |
| Br Aero | 910 | GKN | 113 | Rk Hovis | 1,629 | Ultramar | 567 |
| Br Airways | 2,814 | Guinness | 331 | Rank | 177 | Unigate | 1,422 |
| Br Comn | 1,132 | Hamm 'A' | 63 | R&C | 143 | Unilever | 2,628 |
| Br Gas | 12,265 | Hanson | 7,034 | Redland | 2,016 | United Bis | 838 |
| Br Petrol | 5,714 | Hawker | 569 | Reed | 1,909 | Utd Newsp | 242 |
| Br Telecm | 2,888 | Hillsdown | 1,191 | Reuters | 483 | Wellcome | 894 |
| Bunzl | 715 | IMI | 887 | RMC Gp | 1,722 | Whitbrd | 1,794 |
| Burmah | 379 | ICI | 833 | RTZ | 1,847 | Williams | 877 |
| Burton | 1,601 | Inchcape | 529 | R-Royce | 689 | Willis Fab | 228 |
| C&W | 3,165 | Jaguar | 902 | Rothmn 'B' | 795 | Wimpey G | 525 |
| Cadbury | 906 | Lasmo | 294 | Rowntree | 2 | Woolworth | 222 |
| | | Ladbroke | 243 | Royal Bank | 449 | Equities page 23 | |

US BONDS

# Market shrugs off order rise

From Maxwell Newton
New York

The US manufacturing sector's prospects continued to glow in the wake of June manufacturers' order figures which showed a rise of 5.5 per cent. Housing sales were also very strong — up 8.4 per cent to an annual rate of 734,000.

But these numbers failed to depress the bond market.

Part of the explanation for this strange development was the fact that it was already known that 53 per cent of the new orders were due to defence orders for ships and tanks.

Another one-third was due to aircraft orders, which are lumpy in nature.

A substantial downward revision of the index of leading indicators for May gave the bond market an early lift.

Another plus had been the continuing strength of the dollar. The central banks, including the Federal Reserve, have not been able to knock it off its perch at about Y132-Y133 and DM1.86-DM1.88.

Weakness of industrial commodity prices and of gold is gradually having an impact on the prevailing inflationary expectation.

Another positive background effect has been the knowledge that there will be no 30-year bond issue in the imminent quarterly Treasury refunding.

Yet another important element is the realization that there will be less and less medium-term and long-term US debt available in the coming years. The extraordinary build-up of surpluses in the social security fund, following the big tax increase in 1983, means that in the 1990s, the amount of new Federal debt becoming available is going to shrink to insignificant numbers.

Indeed, such is the current and prospective flow of money into the social security fund that the United States "deficit" is far less of a threat to financial stability than popularly imagined, and far more of a potential threat to future economic expansion.

So the long-term prospects of US debt are the subject of serious reassessment. Investors who are seeking to get set with such US prime debt will have decreasing opportunities as time passes.

RECENT ISSUES

**EQUITIES**

| | |
|---|---|
| Acal (135p) | 150 |
| BMSS (118p) | 123 |
| Broadwell Land (155p) | 178 +1 |
| Bucknall Aust (110p) | 123 |
| Builder Gp (125p) | 157 |
| Caldwell Inv | 51 +1 |
| Christie Grp (145p) | 168 |
| Colefax Fowler (125p) | 146 +1 |
| Colroy (150p) | 156 |
| Conroy Pet | 59 |
| Cory (Horace) | 30½ |
| Eng O'seas Prop (155p) | 137 |
| Erosin Group (165p) | 188 |
| Heritage (95p) | 186 +1 |
| Herring Son (150p) | 161 |
| Hillsdare (60p) | 81 |
| Jackson Group | 112 |
| Lincat Group (115p) | 183 |
| Nat Telecom | 144 |
| Optim Gp (60p) | 58 |
| Palmerston Hldgs | 242 |
| Saunderson Elec (130p) | 150 +4 |
| Sevills (125p) | 131 |
| SCRicorp | £18⁵⁰₁₆ +½ |
| Severfield-R (80p) | 93 |
| Sonic Tape (15p) | 14½ |
| Reject Shop (140p) | 146 -2 |
| TGI (130p) | 146 +2 |

**RIGHTS ISSUES**

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|---|---|
| Campbell Arm N/P | 10 |
| City Gate N/P | 310 |
| Evans Halshaw N/P | 37 +2 |
| Goodman N/P | 6 +1 |
| Macallan Glenlvt N/P | 145 |
| Northamber N/P | 55 +7 |
| Pennine 'A' N/P | 3 |
| Owners Abroad N/P | 31 +2 |
| Reliant Motor N/P | 8 -1 |

(Issue price in brackets).

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

| | Calls Series | Oct | Jan | Apr | Puts Oct | Jan | Apr |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Allid Lyon... | 360 | 45 | 53 | 63 | 5 | 10 | 13 |
| (*422) | 420 | 24 | 35 | 45 | 14 | 22 | 25 |
| | 480 | 8 | 17 | 26 | 42 | 47 | 48 |
| Bass | 750 | 62 | 72 | 85 | 10 | 20 | 22 |
| (*788) | 800 | 30 | 40 | 55 | 30 | 40 | 42 |
| | 850 | 10 | 20 | - | 67 | 75 | - |
| Brit Air | 140 | 24 | 28 | 30 | 2 | 4½ | 7 |
| (*159) | 180 | 10 | 14 | 19 | 9 | 14 | 16 |
| | 180 | 3 | 6½ | - | 23 | 28 | - |
| Brit Corn | 220 | 28 | 33 | 40 | 5 | 9 | 10 |
| (*240) | 240 | 16 | 22 | 28 | 15 | 18 | 20 |
| | 260 | 7 | 14 | 20 | 27 | 30 | 32 |
| Brit Gas | 150 | 25½ | 31 | 32 | 1 | 3 | 4½ |
| (*180) | 180 | 5½ | 11½ | 16½ | 51 | 73 | 10 |
| | 200 | 2½ | 5¾ | - | 20½ | 21 | 22 |
| BP | 240 | 26 | 33 | 35 | 3½ | 6 | 10 |
| (*259) | 260 | 11½ | 19 | 23 | 11½ | 14½ | 19 |
| | 280 | 4½ | 9¼ | 13 | 26 | 27 | 32 |
| Cons Gold | 950 | 110 | 135 | 160 | 35 | 45 | 55 |
| (*1013) | 1000 | 75 | 100 | 135 | 60 | 70 | 80 |
| | 1100 | 30 | 57 | 75 | 120 | 135 | 150 |
| Courtauld | 300 | 61 | - | - | 3 | - | - |
| (*351) | 330 | 36 | 45 | 57 | 9 | 12 | 17 |
| | 360 | 16 | 27 | 36 | 21 | 27 | 30 |
| Com Union | 360 | 36 | 52 | 58 | 12 | 16 | 22 |
| (*386) | 390 | 18 | 32 | 42 | 24 | 28 | 36 |
| | 420 | 8½ | 19 | - | 46 | 48 | - |
| C & W | 300 | 67 | 93 | - | 1 | 3 | - |
| (*378) | 330 | 57 | 68 | 80 | 3 | 7 | 13 |
| | 360 | 35 | 47 | 57 | 10 | 15 | 20 |
| | 390 | 18 | 28 | 20 | 25 | 30 | 35 |
| GEC | 140 | 22 | 28 | 31 | 1½ | 4 | 6 |
| (*159) | 160 | 7 | 12 | 15 | 7 | 9 | 13 |
| | 180 | 1½ | 4½ | - | 23 | 25 | - |
| GKN | 280 | 59 | 67 | - | 3 | 5 | - |
| (*338) | 300 | 41 | 51 | 57 | 5 | 10 | 15 |
| | 330 | 19 | 32 | 38 | 16 | 21 | 27 |
| Grand Met | 420 | 80 | - | 1½ | - | - | - |
| (*485) | 460 | 45 | 58 | 64 | 7 | 11 | 15 |
| | 500 | 20 | 35 | 40 | 24 | 28 | 33 |
| | 550 | 5 | 15 | 20 | 62 | 65 | 67 |
| ICI | 900 | 160 | 180 | - | 3 | 9 | - |
| (*1055) | 950 | 113 | 140 | - | 10 | 16 | - |
| | 1000 | 72 | 102 | - | 33 | 35 | - |
| | 1100 | 23 | 50 | - | 77 | 85 | - |
| Jaguar | 240 | 55 | 63 | - | 2 | 4½ | - |
| (*269) | 260 | 37 | 46 | 55 | 4½ | 9 | 12 |
| | 280 | 22 | 31 | 41 | 11 | 16 | 22 |
| | 300 | 11 | 21 | 30 | 22 | 25 | 32 |
| Land Sec | 500 | 98 | 108 | 120 | 2 | 6 | 11 |
| (*588) | 550 | 55 | 68 | 83 | 9 | 17 | 22 |
| | 600 | 23 | 38 | 50 | 27 | 37 | 42 |
| M & S | 160 | 16 | 23 | 28 | 3 | 5½ | 7 |
| (*174) | 180 | 6 | 11 | 16 | 10 | 12 | 14 |
| | 200 | 2 | 4 | - | 27 | 30 | - |
| R-Royce | 130 | 15 | 18 | 22 | 4 | 6½ | 10 |
| (*139) | 140 | 8½ | 13 | 17 | 7½ | 11 | 15 |
| | 160 | 2½ | 5 | 8 | 23 | 25 | 28 |
| STC | 240 | 41 | 52 | - | 2 | 5 | - |
| (*281) | 260 | 29 | 37 | 44 | 5 | 10 | 17 |
| | 280 | 15 | 26 | 33 | 15 | 20 | 28 |
| Sainsbury | 200 | 23 | 27 | 34 | 3 | 5 | 6 |
| (*218) | 220 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 10 | 12 | 14 |
| | 240 | 3 | 7 | - | 25 | 25 | - |
| | 260 | 1½ | 4 | - | 45 | 45 | - |
| Shell | 950 | 135 | - | - | 10 | - | - |
| (*1059) | 1000 | 92 | - | - | 20 | - | - |
| | 1100 | 32 | 60

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# TT Group's £30m bid wins support of Beatson board

By Martin Waller

TT Group, the former Tyzack Turner Group engineering and packaging company, has raised its bid for Beatson Clark, the Rotherham glass container manufacturer by £4.7 million to £30.5 million.

After lengthy talks with Charterhouse, its financial adviser, the Beatson board decided to advise shareholders to accept.

A short statement said the board had taken into account the inclusion of a cash alternative in the new offer.

At the same time as making its higher offer, TT moved into a commanding position in the battle by purchasing a near-20 per cent stake in its quarry. That brought its total holding to just under 30 per cent, the maximum permitted under Takeover Panel rules.

The holding was bought from Anglo-African Finance, the South African investment house, which is left with 3.76 per cent in Beatson.

The South Africans took the 375p cash alternative.

A further stake of about 5 per cent is held by Sir Ron Brierley, the New Zealand businessman who sold a similar-sized holding to TT – the move which sparked its first bid.

TT is offering eight new shares for every five in Beatson, valuing each at almost 405p at yesterday's share price.

The first bid, a fortnight ago, found Beatson at 288p. Its share price edged ahead 4p to 384p on yesterday's news.

Mr Tim Reed, the TT chairman, said he was hopeful of acceptances in respect of both the Brierley and the South African stakes.

The board of Beatson directly controls 10 per cent of the company, with a further 12 per cent in the hands of the family.

TT said it wanted the agreement of the Beatson board for its latest offer.Full acceptance of its terms would mean the issue of shares equivalent to about 53.5 per cent of the enlarged share capital.

In February 1987, TT came under the control of Mr John Newman, who once led the Hanson acquisition team, and Mr Nick Shipp, a former stockbroker, when they reversed their Deltight business into it.

They added packaging interests and sold the core engineering, components and hand tools business to near-namesake WA Tyzack.

Beatson made pre-tax profits of £1.55 million, an increase of 23 per cent, on turnover of £42.3 million in the year to end-December.

# Greig to merge with Greene

By Our City Staff

Greig Middleton & Co, the third largest independent stockbroker, is linking with the smaller Greene & Co partnership in a move which is likely to lead to a stock market quotation within two years.

Greig, which celebrates its centenary this year, is paying shares worth £1.25 million for Greene, which is about a quarter of its size.

About two-thirds of Greig's income comes from private clients. In contrast, its new partner is strongest in fund management.

Mr Simon Knott, senior partner at Greene, will become deputy chairman of the new group, with six other partners joining the board.

The deal should be completed in early September, after Stock Exchange and The Securities Association approval.

The outfit will take up residence in Greig's new offices in Wilson Street, north of the Broadgate development near the Stock Exchange.

Mr Norman Andrews, Greig's managing director, said there had been no falling-off in private investment volume by long-term holders since the October crash.

Greig had added about 40 staff, he said.

"A private client-based firm doesn't have the same level of volatility as a firm in the mainstream of market-making and institutional business," he added.

The decision to float is subject to the usual provisos about market conditions.

# Three-way outlay for Hobsons

By Our City Staff

Hobsons Publishing has made its second corporate move since joining the stock market in March last year, with a three-pronged purchase in the leisure and technical markets, costing £2.06m initially.

It is buying *Bodytalk Magazine* and its related exhibitions business for £840,000, with another £500,000 payable depending on future profits. The company publishes a magazine for the health, fitness and leisure equipment industry.

Hobsons is paying £300,000 for Gore, the London publisher of the monthly *Drinks Retailing* magazine aimed at off-licences.

The third acquisition is of Doverlodge, which publishes the *Graphics Catalogue*, a graphics industry reference book. The initial payment is £925,000, with another £250,000 maximum in deferred consideration.

*Bodytalk Magazine* adds to the group's leisure publishing division, alongside Johansen Publications, bought in July last year. The *Graphics Catalogue* enlarges the group's range of directories and yearbooks.

The deals are being funded by the issue of 640,000 new shares in Hobsons, which are being offered back to existing shareholders. Around half of these will not be taken up, allowing them to be placed with institutions.

The group said orders for advertising in directories were 40 per cent up on last year, and the current year was progressing well.



Generating profits: Iain Dale (left) and Christopher Coole (Photograph: James Morgan)

# Dale Electric rises to £1.7m

By Colin Campbell

Dale Electric International, which escaped the bid clutches of Sunleigh Electronics 15 months ago, promises that there is more recovery in store after reporting pre-tax profits of £1.7 million for the year ended May 1, compared with £1.1 million previously.

The group, which is involved in the manufacture of generating sets, aerospace ground power units and direct current battery systems, is raising its final dividend from 1.75p to 2.5p a share, making 4.25p (3.5p) for the year.

Mr Iain Dale, group chief executive, and Mr Christopher Coole, finance director, yesterday outlined Dale's objectives of going for added-value rather than chasing volume, and for improved profitability. They said the

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current order book stands at £24 million.

The group, which previously had a wide geographical spread of customers, a high proportion of which were Third World countries, is to concentrate more on the developed nations. Of last year's £39.9 million turnover, 72 per cent was generated in Britain and Western Europe.

Improved results are expected from Mexico and Thailand, while in the City of London and the Docklands area, Dale Electric of Great Britain is enjoying its best sales intake for 10 years, Mr Dale said.

Air Transport Charter, the avionics repair and maintenance company based near Heathrow, is currently handling substantial Middle East and European airline business.

# Market rally revives Bell

Bell Group and Bell Resources used writebacks after the recent share rally to recover from last year's weak results.

Bell Group reported a Aus$226.8 million (£105 million) equity-accounted loss in the year to June.

However, the deficit without offshoots was just Aus$76.5 million, after a Aus$222 million second-half profit cut the Aus$298.5 million loss of the first half.

Unrealized losses on shares were cut by Aus$117.4 million.

Bell Resources lifted profit 46 per cent to Aus$146.8 million in the June half. The loss over the past year is half the Aus$498.3 million deficit posted for the December half.

COMMENT David Brewerton

# Fred the flourgrader heads for the bakery

Just before Pat Goodman of Goodman Fielder Wattie decides whether or not to raise his inadequate bid for Ranks Hovis McDougall, he should take account of the possibility of Spillers moving back into breadmaking. Fred the Flourgrader, who figured prominently in Spillers' unsuccessful takeover fight against Dalgety back in the Seventies, promised that the company would not move back into breadmaking for 10 years after giving up the unequal struggle against RHM and Associated British Foods. That decade has passed, and Dalgety is actively considering taking Spillers back into the bakeries.

However, it is unlikely that Dalgety will want to put down the monstrous capital investment required for a new plant to churn out billions of whitesliced Homepride: margins are as miserable as the product and demand is unlikely ever to rise again. Instead, Dalgety is looking at the higher-margins "morning products" market, where demand for speciality breads, Continental pastries and the like is booming.

But might this mean Goodman Fielder Wattie will switch its attentions to Dalgety? It is a popular market rumour that Dalgety is second on Pat Goodman's list, and it would make a comforting consolation prize. It is also known that Hillsdown Holdings has a 1.8 per cent stake in Dalgety, and regularly makes money from trading in and out of shares. But Dalgety is ready to fight if necessary, and has the distinct advantage of knowing Goodman Fielder on its home ground.

In the last year or two, Dalgety has been reshaped and refined. It has pulled out of most businesses unrelated to food, pulling in £205 million in the process. It has invested £115 million in new businesses, and now appears set on a growth path designed to increase both profits before tax and earnings per share.

Food and food products remain the core activity, and Dalgety has discovered what many have found out before it: that the closer the business gets to the ultimate consumer, the better the margins. Hence the purchase of Golden Wonder, for crisps give far better margins than potatoes, where the group is also represented. Better, too, to put capital behind the growth in petfoods than to slog it out on low margins in maltings, where the brewer stands between the product and the consumer.

If Mr Goodman, possibly encouraged by the Prime Minister's comforting words about foreign investment in Britain yesterday, does lunge at Dalgety if he fails for RHM, he may also take on board that Dalgety is probably one of the few food companies where the sum of the parts would add up to less than the current share price. As a break-up, Dalgety is a dead loss.

# Brussels distils confusion

The City Takeover Code will have to come to terms with the Brussels dimension, either in 1992 or, more likely, as soon as Peter Sutherland, the aggressive Irish commissioner for competition, finally persuades a recalcitrant Britain to join its fellow EEC members in accepting a mechanism to vet Community mergers in advance. Meanwhile, Mr Sutherland is losing no opportunity to push his case via his present powers.

His ingenious intervention in the consortium bid for Irish Distillers has caught both City practitioners and the Takeover Panel on the hop, and its chairman, Lord Alexander, on holiday.

Mr Sutherland objected to the consortium nature of the bid, which brings together three powerful Scotch whisky competitors: Guinness, Grand Metropolitan and Allied-Lyons, the companies behind GC&C Brands, the Irish bidding company. This is clearly a case of bureaucratic opportunism, since the bid was structured to overcome monopoly objections by artificially introducing competition into the Irish whiskey industry where virtually none existed.

Whatever the bidders' carefully worked out intentions, however, Mr Sutherland's objection is formally legitimate. The immediate effect is to veto buying of Irish Distillers shares by the bidding side. The 20-page letter to the offerors, yet to be seen by the Panel, also gives them a fortnight to persuade Mr Sutherland not to use a veto.

Indications from Brussels suggest this is mainly a matter of courtesy, and that in its present form the bid is out. But GC&C, which has so far held only informal talks with the Panel, has made it clear it will take up the challenge.

If the bid is killed, no procedural problems arise. If it is merely delayed, the strict Takeover Code timetable would come into question. As it is, GC&C, whose bid reaches its second closing date next Monday, would have to make any increased offer by Friday week.A ban on buying would therefore put it at a relative disadvantage.

The Panel had, not unreasonably, hoped to wait for an agreement for Brussels to pre-vet Community-scale mergers. It would then include this possibility in its Code on the same basis as provisions for a Monopolies Commmission inquiry with minimum consequential change. Mr Sutherland's opportunism makes this more complicated, not least because there is at present no single authority. More immediate changes must now come, as Mr Sutherland's action is more likely to prove a precedent for more Brussels ingenuity than a spur to faster agreement on merger vetting the European way.

# Brent falls below $15 as Opec meets

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

The world oil markets have shown little faith in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' latest attempt to control prices and output and have sent prices downwards, with the key North Sea Brent crude oil hovering about the $15-a-barrel mark.

As Opec's five-member price monitoring committee yesterday met in Lausanne, Switzerland, to discuss the latest over-production by some member nations, some cargoes of Brent oil changed hands at under $15, although later the price moved to $15.10. Under the Opec pricing formula Brent oil should be priced at $18.

However, oil traders remain convinced that Opec is unable to combat the over-production by some of its members. They point out that output from the cartel of nearly 19 million barrels a day is 2 million too much, given present demand and the high stock levels held by the consuming nations and the leading oil companies.

The main culprit within Opec is believed to be the United Arab Emirates, which has an output quota of 948,000 barrels a day, but is understood to have been producing 1.5 million barrels a day.

The UAE has said it will now abide by its Opec quota. Saudi Arabia yesterday issued figures to show that it is within its Opec limit.

The price monitoring committee has the power to call a full ministerial meeting of Opec to discuss prices. But with a full meeting scheduled for November 21 several member states have been resisting calls for an earlier meeting.

The view among many in Opec is that by then seasonal demand will have risen and the tension in the Gulf will have eased to a level which may persuade Iraq to come back within the overall Opec output quota.

# Another teenage scribbler

Newspaper proprietors, like policemen, seem to grow younger every day. The latest one is Charles Villiers, aged 25, an ex-MIM fund manager, who is behind a £425,000 Business Expansion Scheme to launch a free weekly local newspaper serving the residential community within the City of Westminster. The publication is to be known as the *City of Westminster Observer*. Villiers – son of Alistair Villiers, a former Panmure Gordon partner and a founder of Schroder Securities (who will, incidentally, be a non-executive director of the new venture) and a cousin of that other Charles Villiers, who resigned as managing director of County NatWest Investment Bank in March – will be managing director of its parent, Consolidated Newspapers. Leo Simmons, aged 57 – once general manager of the *Sunday Express* and deputy general manager of the *Evening Standard* – will be the executive chairman. Westminster is apparently the only borough in London which does not have a free newspaper covering its entire area. "It's a gap in the market and it is also the richest local authority area in Britain," explains Villiers, whose only journalistic claim to fame to date has been having an article published in *The Lima Times*. The pair hope Lord Stevens, the chairman of MIM, might invest in the business himself. "We've sent him a prospectus," Villiers says.

## THE TIMES CITY DIARY

# If the CAP does not fit

**The explanation that the computer software house CAP Group's intended name change to Semacap – following its recent merger with a French counterpart, Sema-Metra – was scuppered by trademark problems in Europe is, I am told, hogwash. One City sleuth from a well-known broking firm has discovered the real reason. Some informal market research carried out on behalf of the new company to determine how people would perceive the new name revealed that most of them thought it must be a new contraceptive. CAP is now to be known as Sema Group.**

# Muddy waters

Staff at Phillips & Drew – who were, I hear, surprised to learn via this column that their private client business was soon to be put up for sale – might have been better informed if they had been able to get hold of a copy of the *Private Client Newsbrief* mailed to clients of Capel-Cure Myers Capital Management last weekend. In this latest issue, the firm claims to feel, "rather swan-like at the moment – not much apparently happening above the surface, but a couple of legs paddling away like mad underneath . . . we have been putting in a lot of work in preparation for what may be quite an influx of new clients from other stockbrokers who, for one reason or another, are curtailing or pulling out entirely from their private client services". The firm claims to be interested in making sensible acquisitions of some of the better-run operations. It would not, however, be interested in just anything. "In the case of some firms, there are probably animals living underneath stones at the bottom of ponds who could have done a better management job."



"Which ones belong to Barlow Clowes?"

● Another City journalist switches sides. David Simpson, business editor of *The Observer*, will be joining PR firm Dewe Rogerson

**Carol Leonard**

# BAT gives 'no change' vow to US authorities

By Our City Staff

BAT Industries has reassured US authorities that it has no intention of making changes in the operations of Farmers if its bid for the insurance company succeeds.

This follows the latest setback to its $4.5 billion (£2.6 billion) takeover attempt which came in a ruling from Mr Richard Marquardt, the Washington State Insurance Commissioner, disapproving the acquisition.

The state authorities were concerned that Batus, BAT's American operation, might discontinue non-smoking discounts and hospital malpractice policies.

The British company said it had no such intentions and was confident it could satisfy the Commissioner's concern.

The result of BAT's key appeal against its defeat in California, Farmers' home state, is likely to come tomorrow. So far, four out of the necessary nine states have ruled in Farmers' favour, against one – Arizona – which found for BAT.

BAT says the Washington judgement, as well as those in Oregon and Idaho which preceded it, found in its favour on most essential issues, while putting up opposition on technical issues.

Mr Leo Denlea, the Farmers chairman and chief executive, however, believes the decision is "another very serious blow." to Batus's plans.


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# InfraRed agrees £4.7m bid from CEI

By Martin Waller

InfraRed Associates, the New Jersey company quoted on the USM, has agreed a £4.7 million cash offer from Cambridge Electronic Industries, with acceptances from almost 43 per cent of its shareholders.

CEI is offering 70p for each InfraRed share, against a suspension price on Tuesday of 56p. Like those of a number of other high-technology American companies quoted in London, InfraRed shares have conspicuously underperformed the market since the October crash.

It was floated in September 1985 at 94p a share.

Mr John Jackson, the chairman of CEI, said: "The performance of the shares in our judgement should in no sense be seen as a reflection of that company. It's a beautiful deal."

InfraRed will join his group's defence and instrumentation division and will complement the analytical instruments made by its Specac and Cathodeon subsidiaries.

Mr Jackson added: "InfraRed is not only a very rapidly growing and very profitable company, but it offers Specac in the US access to a customer base which it would have been difficult otherwise to get. Specac in Europe offers InfraRed quick access to customers over here as well."

The link-up came out of discussions on possible collaboration between Specac and InfraRed.

# Halifax aims to step up the pace

**Britain's largest building society has a new chief executive, Jim Birrell. He has wide-ranging ambitions in the changing world of financial services, as Vivien Goldsmith reports**



Man at the top: Jim Birrell (Photograph: James Morgan)

Mr Jim Birrell, who is taking the helm at the Halifax today, gives the impression of a man perfectly comfortable to head a business that has turned its back on the chance of raising several billion pounds.

He feels that now the Halifax has decided not to follow the Abbey National and shrug off its mutual status for a shining corporate image, he is free to get on with the job of making the society a leading all-round financial institution.

But his view of the building society is not one submerged in philosophical ties to the mutual status and an aversion to the profit ethic.

After all, Mr Birrell is an accountant — trained to look at the bottom line. Becoming an accountant was a bid to do something "a bit exciting."

His father was a schoolmaster and his mother studied physics under Dr Ernest Rutherford, the man who split the atom. "It was a *Manchester Guardian* sort of home." After attending a Bradford grammar school he wanted to break away from his non-conformist upbringing and go into business.

"I'm prepared to admit, I'm a child of my day — Harold Wilson and the white heat of technology was very attractive — by contrast home ownership and thrift was not an attractive concept."

But his experiences have changed his views. His first job was supposed to be on the ladder to becoming a surveyor, but it consisted of collecting rents from houses in the poor area of Bramley, Leeds. So he switched to accountancy, and although he found two years of nothing but adding up numbers "desperately boring," he felt he had to stick to it.

"In my non-conformist upbringing you are only allowed one mistake."

He never intended to become a pure accountant — accountancy was supposed to be a passport to business. But somehow, as happened so often to Mr Birrell, the exciting bit escaped his grasp.

Even his National Service — a commission in the RAF — ran true to form. He was on "red alert" during the Suez crisis, but the only overseas travel he got was to the Isle of Man, and he spent most of the time "defending the beaches of Bridlington from the Russians."

As part of fighter command he found himself playing real-life computer games plotting aircraft flight-paths. "I thoroughly enjoyed that," he said.

After a spell with Price Waterhouse, the accountant, in Leeds, he did briefly move into industry. He worked for Empire Stores, a mail-order group, and then a privately-owned Halifax textile firm.

But in 1968, he joined the Halifax, where he was groomed for greatness. He spent two years in London as Halifax ambassador, working on Miras (mortgage interest relief at source) and the capital markets.

"It was intellectually stimulating and politically interesting — real *Yes Minister* stuff." But Mr Birrell was acutely aware that the decision-making within the Halifax was being done in Halifax, out of his reach, and he longed to return to the centre of power.

"I wanted to be on the side of the decision-makers rather than the door-openers."

The mutuality of the building society world was initially an attraction, but that seems less important now.

In the run-up to the Halifax decision rejecting public limited company status, he was quite clear that regardless of the board's decision he would "pick up the ball and run with it."

Mr Birrell is now a firm Thatcher supporter. "This country is a more realistic, and in the end a more satisfying atmosphere to work in now."

His aim is to make the Halifax Britain's leading personal financial institution. It starts with the advantage of touching the lives of a quarter of the population with 15 million savings accounts, 1.5 million borrowers, and reserves of more than £1 billion.

The society has decided not to join in the paper chase of cheque accounts, but to skip a developmental stage and move to plastic technology. Like other societies, it has begun looking outside retail deposits to obtain funds, and this side of the business is regarded with great seriousness.

The Halifax has run roadshows in Japan to promote its wholesale funding operation. Mr Birrell is aware that institutional money is not a tap that can be turned on and off at will — just like retail funds, it has to be nurtured.

The Halifax is proud to boast it was the first building society to raise index-linked finance to build rented housing schemes. And it is still proud to be involved in social housing, but as a catalyst financier rather than a principal.

The Halifax was also the first building society to issue its own credit card, and one that undercuts the market-leaders.

It is looking hard at securitizing mortgages for new mortgages. Existing mortgages are sacrosanct. These new mortgages would probably be Libor (London interbank offered rate) linked mortgages, and may not be far off.

It is also moving into the pensions field.

So the Halifax is far from a sleeping giant, but with others now making the running in the public limited company field, it will have to run fast to outshine the rest.

# Profits soar at Sir YK Pao's World group

From Stephen Leather, Hong Kong

World International, the holding company for Sir Yue-kong Pao's shipping empire, announced after-tax profits up 55.8 per cent to HK$658.5 million (£49 million) for the year ended March 31.

The profits were further boosted by an extraordinary item of HK$339.4 million, representing the sale of subsidiary and associated companies.

In February, World International sold its 90 per cent stake in Cornes Holdings, the trading and insurance company, which was held through Wheelock Marden, its wholly owned subsidiary, to another company owned by Sir YK for HK$490 million.

World International is almost 70 per cent owned by Sir YK and his family, and is an investment holding company with a large stake in Wharf, the property and transport group which earlier this week revealed after-tax profits up 24.2 per cent to HK$1.27 billion (£95 million). World's turnover soared from HK$429.5 million to HK$2.17 billion, mainly because of a corporate reshuffle in May last year, when World acquired the Wheelock International trading, servicing and manufacturing businesses from Wharf.

The Wheelock businesses now make up the biggest part of World's trading division.

The firm is paying a final dividend of 11 cents a share, making the total for the year 14.8 cents, 23.3 per cent higher than last year.

Sir YK was also given a boost by the news that Daewoo Corporation of South Korea is to continue building ships for his group.

## COMPANY BRIEFS

**RADIANT METAL FIN.**(fin)
*Pre-tax:* £0.25 (£0.21)m
*EPS:* 11.69 (9.84)p
*Div:* 2 mkg 3 (2.75)p
Turnover £2.44 (£1.55)m. Trading profit for the year, £0.25 (£0.19)m.

**LAWRIE GROUP** (fin)
*Pre-tax:* £2.46 (£2.60)m
*EPS:* 58.61 (64.47)p
*Div:* 45 (45)p
Turnover £9.98 (£11.07)m. Profit for the year after tax, plus extraordinary item, £3.46 (£1.64)m.

**KEPPEL** (int) Sing$
Net: $16.74 ($11.62)m
*EPS:* N/A
*Div:* Nil (nil)
Turnover $339.84m ($305.48)m. Group is expected to maintain the level of profitability in the second half.

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Class I: F Dunbar; J J Irvine; M C Love.

Class II (Div 1): P Brewster; B T Corry; M M T Donegan; Finucane, C Harrison; M E Kelly; M J McCrea; C McElduff; B O'Connor; C A Trimble.

Class II (Div 2): C M Campbell; J C Fox; M E Magee; S C Magee, D J McGrain; R T McGuinness; L M J Nacer; A G Nixon.

Class III: E V Murphy; J R Thornton.

### Faculty of Humanities
#### BA (Hons)

Class II (Div 1): J Mullen; M R Ryan.

Class II (Div 2): F W Loushran; M L Parker; K V Webb.

### Faculty of Social and Health Sciences
#### BSc (Hons)

Class II (Div 1): M C Armstrong; S M Lavery; G J P McCandless; C Murray.

Class II (Div 2): J B Dallat; G F Darby; W P Doherty; M G Duddy; K O Lockhart; J McLaughlin; P J O'Doherty; P G O'Kane.

### JORDANSTOWN
#### Faculty of Education

*With distinction or commendation.

BA (Hons)
Diploma in Industrial Studies: Home Economics

Class II (Div 1): L D Greenfield; H A Logan*; T Marshall*; B E McCann*; J S M McClelland*; D-M T McDermott*; C M Stewart*.

Class II (Div 2): E E Brannigan*; C A Coulter*; E J Dunn*; R A Halprick*; M A J Henry*; C A Hynes*; A T Kearney*; C E Kelly*; S B McCarron*; S M McCully*; S M McLoone*; M E Murray*.

Class III: A F D Garland*.

### Certificate in Education: Home Economics

Class I: K F A Mills*.

Class II (Div 1): R E A Currie*; D A Freeburn*; G S Gough*; C C Kelly*; P C O'Hara*; A-M Smyth*; A M Taylor.*

Class II (Div 2): L M Curran; L E M B O'Hagan; H A Parker*

### Diploma in Industrial Studies: Sports Studies

Class II (Div 1): D P Huntley*; C J McKibbin*; C A Peppard*; S C Stewart.

Class II (Div 2): I Baxter; J E Bradley; S F Curran; G McBriar; A C T McCarroll; D J McCullough; A N McMorran*; E E McNulty.

### Certificate in Education: Sports Studies

Class I: D F Smith*.

Class II (Div 1): A G Blair*; K E Forsythe*; E M Gillan*; B A Heverin; E F Mullan*; R J O'Harte; D M O'Reilly*; B T Ward*.

Class II (Div 2): M Cloonan*; A Corrigan*; A T Cregan; A P Hannigan; E McDermott*; J E Parkes.

### Sports Studies

Class III: I L McCagherty; R S Richardson.

### Sport and Leisure Studies

Class II (Div 1): S C Myles.

### BEd (Hons)

Class I: C M McCall; N J G Mulholland; J O'Neill; D Patterson; M C Rice.

Class II (Div 1): T M Barnes; J G Clydesdale; M P Cosgrove; M C Gallagher; M P Hannigan; H Hawthorne; N H Heron; S Hourican; D P J Hughes; B Judge; D D McBride; E P McCabe; V McCarthy; R McElhatton; E Mooney; T Sullivan; K E Wilkinson.

### Psychology (Part-Time Study)

Class I: J M Perkins.

Class II (Div 1): C A Adair; A Ingram.

Class II (Div 2): A N J Finlay; L Jeffers; W D S Kelly; D Lynas; T A Mason; H L Nicholl.

### Psychology and Sociology

Class II (Div 1): F Murphy.

Class II (Div 2): L L Hall; J Whitley.

### BA (Hons) Social Policy

Class II (Div 1): M P McAleenan; C McCook; S C McKee; S B P McPartland; M B Ryan; J J Totten; S E Trainor; S E Wright.

Class II (Div 2): C Bigley; L E Cavanagh; G S S Corrigan; H M Costello; U M Donnelly; C M P Foy; M T Grimley; A Harris; G N Rafferty; D A Rafferty; B S Ruddy.

Class III: B M Donnelly; B A Heggarty.

Pass: S Maxwell.

### Social Work

Class II (Div 1): M A Brassil; J J Devaney; J P Hughes; G Lennon; R Mallon; S J Marks; M McGarry; I N McMullan; M McPartland; F M B McTeague; A B M Rice.

Class II (Div 2): C M Adams; T O'Donnell; P A M Quinn; S E Simons; F M M Walsh.

### BSc (Hons) Sociology

Class II (Div 1): C M Clung; A Comerford; B McCullagh; P K Morris.

Class II (Div 2): S L Campbell; D M McElroy; C M O'Neill; C P Valely; C M E Webb.

### Speech Therapy

Class I: B Larkham.

Class II (Div 1): E A Craig; A M Curran; A Hardwick; J O'Hagan; T A O'Rawe; M M Quigley.

Class II (Div 2): M E McGinn; D F M McHenry; A M Mellon; J Stewart.

Ordinary: L J Kapur; G M Meehan.

### BA (Hons) Youth and Community Work

Class II (Div 1): P J N McCusker; M M S Thompson.

Class II (Div 2): L J Donnan; M M Harris; G M M Howland; N M Conville; D J McSorley; J E Moore.

Ordinary: G M Kelly.

### Faculty of Art and Design
### BA (Hons) Design

Class I: M A Gear; W Letters.

Class II (Div 1): S D W Bunting; D C Hanna; J R Hayes; J Magur; J Marshall; E McCartney; P McCormack; S Mitchell; J A Montgomery; P Murray; G D Stavert; R A Wilson.

Class II (Div 2): J Brownlee; C Cleary; D M Dale; R S Gillilan; S M Gilroy; A C Jordan; H M Kirk; M J Lavery; K L Lee; A J McAnally; D K McCormack; M A McFetridge; M McGrady; S K Mutton; S I Neill; H M Patterson; I A Robinson; C L Shaw; P R Slane.

Pass: P J Logan.

### Fine Art

Class I: N A Gregory; R Hughes; M Jameson; P J McCann.

Class II (Div 1): E J Clarke; P M Duggan; S M Kerr; J G Mathers; P G D McCaughey; S A McConomy; G K McKenna; P A Meehan; D B Nally; M Ni Chamhlaoibh; S L Potter; P Sibley.

Class II (Div 2): T K Alexander; K Dave; J McDowell; B H McIlhatton; D M Morris; M J O'Donoghue; A F O'Keeffe; L Riddell; P J Smyth; A C Watson.

Class III: T Agnew; C N Henry; J Kennedy; D A Morrison.

### Fine Craft Design

Class I: P J A Donoghan; D W McCormick; A Park.

Class II (Div 1): J Brown; E M Caulfield; L J Greenlee; M F Lally; H A Lilley; M T McCrossan; B B McDermott; F J McGirr.

Class II (Div 2): M L Allen; W M Creaney; A C Henderson; G S Kelly; D E Mooney; M M Murphy; B J A O'Neill; L A Thompson; G J Trainor.

Class III: R F Leeke; D A McLarnon; Y M I Russell.

### Textiles and Fashion Design

Class I: G Ferguson; C E Mellstrom.

Class II (Div 1): J M Coulter; J Glass; M J A Herron; L K Hetherington; K Hughes; D M Kelly; G R McWilliams; S A M Minnis; D Pearson; T G F Roberts; K J Smart; T Teague.

Class II (Div 2): J M L Foster; M Heaney; C J Kyle; C A M Mageean; M W T Sullivan; F A M Taylor; F A L Walker.

Class III: G R Best; C Carr; L G Hefferon.

Pass: E L McIlfatrick.

### Faculty of Business and Management
### BA (Hons) Accounting

Class II (Div 1): G P Boyle; R S Carse; G L Conway; J A Dinsmore; M R McGlade; E T McKenna; E Pattison; D C Rafferty.

Class II (Div 2): D R Acheson; D J Casey; M Green; A J A Greer; N J McAdam; J B McCrea; J B McKernan; R Mussen; S F O'Neill; M A Quinn; M P Quinn; B Singh; B M Slevin; J M Small; D G Wallace; W Wan; R D Wilson.

Class III: J J Murtagh.

### Accounting with Computing

Class I: K S Harvey.

Class II (Div 1): S S Glasgow; P H Kinney; S G McCann; B N McCoy; B P O'Neill; R J F Osborne.

Class II (Div 2): A N Fleming; S P S Lim.

### Business Studies

Class I: W J F Fitch.

Class II (Div 1): S C Adams; C A Anderson; V S Bauer; B J Byrne; P M Campbell; T R Cander; M Clarke; R M Copeland; M J Doherty; C O Dunne; R L Faulkner; J Ferguson; M J A Finnegan; G J Fitzpatrick; M J M Flannigan; R J R Gillandess; S E Greeves; D A Harley; R J H Hill; D R Jones; C Lundy; A D McCartan; A G McClean; S M McGreesh; G McGrattan; G S McIntyre; K McKenna; J Montgomery; D F Murray; M C Nelson; A O'Neill; J R Robinson; E M Smyth; K Smyth; L D Thompson; R P Tierney; H E Wallace; A W Weir; G West; H M White; B K Wilson.

Class II (Div 2): J G Austin; I M Bloomfield; M R Boyd; R Byrne; L M Cochrane; G K Currie; C C Heasley; E J Kidd; J S C McAuley; M J Mallaghy; J M McCaffrey; C A McEvoy; C McGarrigle; K A McLaverty; G T Moore; R E Power; J F Quinn; M P Sherry; C Steele; D M Taylor; S A Torrens; H E Wisener.

### Diploma in Industrial Studies: Catering Administration

Class I: R E Allen.

Class II (Div 1): K S Baggett; C A Barton; N J Coaner; S M Gorman; C Jennings; M A McAleenan; D F Knotter; E J McFadden; M C McGuinness; P F Morris; S J Thornton; K J Wilson; L K Young.

Class II (Div 2): B A Austin; L J Dykes; M P Glass; M J Gracey; A E Johnston; E J Lucy; J McCaughey; P W McGuigan; D C Morell; R E Murray; R J Robinson; J Scott.

### Catering Administration

Class II (Div 1): M B A Donaghy; C McClean; S M McNally.

Class II (Div 2): S A Carruth; A D Mitchell; V Pierson; J Symth.

Class III: A J Murray.

### Catering Administration (Part-Time Study)

Class I: L D Gowdy.

Class II (Div 1): R J G Connor; J Littlejohn; S E McLernan.

Class III: N P Fitzsimons.

### European Business Studies

Class II (Div 1): J S Devlin; J Jennings; L G A Lamoureux; G Le Guern; S A-M McAleer; C C McBride; G J McClean; J A McGlossker; R J Moffett; B G Murray; J Trinder.

Class II (Div 2): L S Burns; K B Conlon; R E Connolly; N A M Crevatux; P J Delray; A R L Guimard; H G Letellier; S M McAndrew; P A McShane; J P Millville; N A Muzeau; C D Nicell; H Rogan; F S Vilette.

Class III: T R S Delange; V F Ondray; P F Quint.

### Institute of Informatics
### BSc (Hons) Computing Science (Information Systems)

Class I: B Donnelly; K McKnight.

Class II (Div 1): P J Barry; N Chan; S G Crawford; C N Cunningham; B W Dilly; D Glover; W Hall; D Hutchinson; C McCann; M A McQuinness; R F O'Hare; P E Skelton; K Speers; F M Ward; B Y-B Yu.

Class II (Div 2): K R Blair; M J Comiskey; B A Fearon; P J McLardy; J A Rowan; C Rodgers.

Class III: J M Walsh

### Faculty of Science and Technology
### BSc Biological Science

Ordinary: J O O'Reilly.

### Diploma in Industrial Studies: Building

Ordinary: S B Bell; T Burns* : S G Carroll; B P Doherty; P G Dunne; F J Farrell; P J Geraghty*; J G McCallion; P A McCann; G McGovern; F McGurk; D J Smyth; D W T Wilson; T Woods; B Young; H S Yu.

### Building

Ordinary: B A McDermott; M J Murphy* : C C O'Boyle.

### BEng (Hons) Diploma in Industrial Studies: Civil Engineering

Class II (Div 1): B J McClure; A P McManus.

Class II (Div 2): D J Devlin; A J Herbinson; B M McDowell; N A Rainey; J F Spall; K J Tal.

Class III: S Al-Halabi; J P Caraher.

Ordinary: K M Anderson* ; P Blair* ; D W Clydesdale* ; J B Flood; S P Garvey; F Hockley; M Jitoko; K Lynch; D McKeown; A S Purcell; C Y Tong; E M Tyrrell.

### Civil Engineering

Ordinary: R J Gerring.

### BTech Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Ordinary: J H Briggs; S Cheung; I C C Craig*; N S J Ghafoor; A W Hamilton*; W A Keenan, A B Kelly*; F M Lunney; N R McClelland; P A McTear; O Callaghan; M J P V Pruzina; W H Scott; G B Stewart; I K Stewart; M J Sweeney; D Telford; P Wilson.

### BEng (Hons) Diploma in Industrial Studies: Electronic Systems

Class I: M J Crawley; W E Donaghy; A T Hunter; B H Hylands; I H Wilson.

Class II (Div 1): G A Beattie; S McIlwaine; S M Ravey; J P Reilly; J M Stockton; W Thompson; R J Tweedie..

Class II (Div 2): H McCaffrey; L P McLaughlin; D G Smith; D G Smylie; N D Smylthe; R P Wilson.

Ordinary: W S Chambers; K A Lagan.

### Electronic Systems

Class I: K B Cooney.

Ordinary: Y S Lo.

### Diploma in Industrial Studies: Engineering

Class I: S M J. Moore; M D Taggart.

Class II (Div 1): N J Bingham; W D Hall; M C Lynch; F W-K Shiu; C D Smith; D G B Wilson.

Class II (Div 2): L M Lee; P J R Martin; A J McDonnell, D C McHugh; S G Mooney; D Ryan.

Class III: J B McKey.

Ordinary: C M Moran.

### Engineering

Class II (Div 2): W D Hannigan; K Millar.

### BSc Engineering (Part-Time Study)

Ordinary: L V Hanna*; I D Middleton*; C J Penny.

### Diploma in Industrial Studies: Building

Ordinary: S B Bell; T Burns* : S G Carroll; B P Doherty; P G Dunne; F J Farrell; P J Geraghty*; J G McCallion; P A McCann; G McGovern; F McGurk; D J Smyth; D W T Wilson; T Woods; B Young; H S Yu.

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Class II (Div 2): L M Lee; P J R Martin; A J McDonnell, D C McHugh; S G Mooney; D Ryan.

Class III: J B McKey.

Ordinary: C M Moran.

### Engineering

Class II (Div 2): W D Hannigan; K Millar.

### BSc Engineering (Part-Time Study)

Ordinary: L V Hanna*; I D Middleton*; C J Penny.

### Diploma in Industrial Studies: Building

Ordinary: S B Bell; T Burns* : S G Carroll; B P Doherty; P G Dunne; F J Farrell; P J Geraghty*; J G McCallion; P A McCann; G McGovern; F McGurk; D J Smyth; D W T Wilson; T Woods; B Young; H S Yu.

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| No. | Company | Group | Gain or loss |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Elec Data Process | Electricals | |
| 2 | McCarthy & S | Building,Roads | |
| 3 | Johnson Manhey | Industrials E-K | |
| 4 | Bentalls | Drapery,Stores | |
| 5 | Hammerson | Property | |
| 6 | Gr Portland | Property | |
| 7 | Bowthorpe | Electricals | |
| 8 | Allied Text | Textiles | |
| 9 | YRM | Building,Roads | |
| 10 | Wheeloc | Industrials S-Z | |
| 11 | Rosehaugh | Property | |
| 12 | Brasway | Industrials A-D | |
| 13 | Smith (WH) 'A' (aa) | Drapery,Stores | |
| 14 | Greycoat | Property | |
| 15 | Western Motor | Motors,Aircraft | |
| 16 | Manganese Bronze | Industrials L-R | |
| 17 | Abbott Mead | Paper,Print,Adv | |
| 18 | Eng China Clay (aa) | Industrials E-K | |
| 19 | Highgate & Job | Industrials E-K | |
| 20 | Derwent Hldgs | Property | |
| 21 | Hampson Ind | Industrials E-K | |
| 22 | Smiths Ind (aa) | Industrials S-Z | |
| 23 | Merivale Moore | Property | |
| 24 | Beazer PLC (aa) | Industrials A-D | |
| 25 | Empire Stores | Drapery,Stores | |
| 26 | Dixons Grp (aa) | Drapery,Stores | |
| 27 | Wellcome (aa) | Industrials S-Z | |
| 28 | BSS Group | Industrials A-D | |
| 29 | Davies & Met 'A' | Industrials A-D | |
| 30 | Trusthouse Fl (aa) | Hotels,Caterers | |
| 31 | Volex | Electricals | |
| 32 | STC (aa) | Electricals | |
| 33 | Hawker Siddly (aa) | Industrials E-K | |
| 34 | Cambridge Elec | Electricals | |
| 35 | Berisford (S&W) (aa) | Foods | |
| 36 | Robinson (Thomas) | Industrials L-R | |
| 37 | Barratt Devs | Building,Roads | |
| 38 | Tesco (aa) | Foods | |
| 39 | Wolseley | Industrials S-Z | |
| 40 | McAlpine (Alfred) | Building,Roads | |
| 41 | Goldberg (A) | Drapery,Stores | |
| 42 | Laird | Industrials L-R | |
| 43 | Boot (Henry) | Building,Roads | |
| 44 | Vickers | Industrials S-Z | |
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| MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT | Weekly Total |
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## BREWERIES

| 1988 High | Low | Company | Price Bid | Offer | Ch'nge | Gross div p | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 444 | 322 | Allied-Lyons (aa) | 428 | 433 | -1 | 17.9 | 4.1 | 12.6 |
| 867 | 746 | Bass (aa) | 785 | 790 | -2 | 29.9 | 3.8 | 11.8 |
| 58 | 42 | Belhaven | 54 | 57 | .. | 1.4 | 2.5 | 21.9 |
| 175 | 132 | Biddington | 168 | 172 | .. | 5.4 | 3.2 | 17.5 |
| 207 | 145 | Buckleys | 155 | 165 | .. | 4.4 | 2.8 | 49.4 |
| 198 | 147 | Bulmer (H P) | 165 | 172 | ●-2 | 8.7 | 5.1 | 10.6 |
| 191 | 129 | Burtonwood Brew | 178 | 185 | ●-1 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 19.6 |
| 395 | 313 | Clark (Matthew) | 388 | 398 | -2 | 14.7 | 3.8 | 10.7 |
| 373 | 299 | Devenish (JA) | 335 | 343 | .. | 4.8 | 1.5 | 29.8 |
| 646 | 475 | Greenall Whadley | 232 | 233 | +2½ | 8.3 | 3.6 | 13.2 |
| 694 | 426 | Greene King | 476 | 477 | ●+5 | 9.8 | 2.1 | 21.1 |
| 351 | 277 | Guinness (aa) | 336 | 338 | +1 | 12.6 | 3.8 | 10.6 |
| 755 | 655 | Hanays & Hancocks | 745 | 765 | .. | 38.9 | 4.0 | 14.1 |
| 128 | 78 | Highland Dist | 118 | 123 | -1 | 3.5 | 2.9 | 18.9 |
| 306 | 197 | Invergordon Distl | 292 | 300 | +3 | 7.9 | 2.7 | 17.9 |
| 320 | 195 | Irish Dist | 287 | 295 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 188 | 110 | Marston Thompson | 157 | 162 | ●+3 | 3.9 | 2.4 | 16.4 |
| 680 | 460 | Morland | 660 | 670 | .. | 16.9 | 1.8 | 24.5 |
| 388 | 275 | SA Breweries | 290 | 300 | -5 | .. | .. | .. |
| 359 | 265 | Scot & Newc (aa) | 334 | 336 | ● | 22.2 | 3.8 | 16.0 |
| 735 | 490 | Vaux Group | 715 | 725 | +20 | 21.6b | 3.0 | 22.0 |
| 318 | 271 | Whitbread 'A' (aa) | 301 | 303 | +2 | 14.1 | 4.7 | 10.3 |
| 456 | 295 | Do 'B' | 465 | 505 | .. | 14.1 | 3.1 | 15.5 |
| 411 | 274 | Whitbread Inv | 390 | 397 | .. | 12.3 | 3.1 | 41.8 |
| 435 | 290 | Wolverhmpton & D | 415 | 422 | .. | 12.8 | 3.0 | 23.3 |
| 530 | 345 | Young 'A' | 515 | 525 | .. | 12.8 | 2.3 | 30.6 |

## BUILDING, ROADS

| 1988 High | Low | Company | Price Bid | Offer | Ch'nge | Gross div p | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 273 | 143 | Abbey | 233 | 240 | -6 | .. | .. | .. |
| 408 | 334 | Amec | 397 | 407 | +2 | 17.3 | 4.6 | 10.6 |
| 345 | 248 | Ampon Sec | 338 | 343 | +2 | 14.1 | 4.1 | 10.8 |
| 55 | 38 | Anglo Utd | 47 | 50 | ●-1 | 2.7 | 5.7 | 29.8 |
| 208 | 98 | Arncliffe | 200 | 215 | ●+3 | 5.3 | 2.5 | 13.1 |
| 395 | 247 | Attwoods | 387 | 390 | ●+1 | 8.7 | 2.2 | 16.4 |
| 330 | 240 | BPB Ind (aa) | 290 | 295 | ●+3 | 13.3 | 4.5 | 8.8 |
| 285 | 240 | Baggeridge Brick | 280 | 285 | .. | 5.8 | 2.0 | 16.4 |
| 85 | 53 | Bailey (Eles) Constr | 77 | 80 | .. | 1.9 | 2.4 | 16.4 |
| 216 | 170 | Barratt Devs | 185 | 195 | +5 | 12.6 | 6.8 | 12.1 |
| 277 | 181 | Bellway | 263 | 273 | +2 | 11.0 | 4.5 | 11.4 |
| 113 | 85 | Bethmch | 91 | 96 | -2 | 4.2 | 4.4 | 21.9 |
| 384 | 258 | Bensley Gp | 382 | 392 | .. | 4.7 | 1.4 | 11.6 |
| 122 | 83 | Best Bros | 110 | 120 | .. | 4.6 | 4.2 | 26.5 |
| 400 | 280 | Blackwood | 400 | 420 | .. | 8.9 | 2.2 | 27.7 |
| 471 | 403 | Blue Circle (aa) | 455 | 459 | +10 | 29.0 | 6.3 | 10.2 |
| 343 | 314 | Boot (Henry) | 325 | 330 | +3 | 9.0 | 2.7 | 9.1 |
| 205 | 167 | Braedore PLC | 196 | 200 | .. | 8.7 | 3.5 | 13.5 |
| 170 | 109 | Br Dr Dredging | 165 | 170 | .. | 5.0 | 2.9 | 16.4 |
| 156½ | 126 | Bryant | 128 | 130 | .. | 4.4 | 3.4 | 15.3 |
| 144 | 105 | CRH | 133 | 135 | ●-1 | .. | .. | .. |
| 148 | 102 | Caledonian Rdstey | 133 | 135 | ●+1 | 5.1 | 4.0 | 22.2 |
| 140 | 102 | Cawdon | 130 | 135 | ●+1 | 10.7 | 3.1 | 13.1 |
| 149 | 102 | Chas Charles | 108 | 112 | .. | 1.3 | 2.2 | 17.0 |
| 205 | 155 | Cowlin Grp | 160 | 165 | .. | 7.5 | 2.1 | 12.9 |
| 150 | 112 | Cosson PLC | 138 | 145 | .. | 7.4 | 1.7 | 77.5 |
| 216 | 158 | Costain | 202 | 207 | .. | 7.7 | 3.7 | 10.2 |
| 196 | 128 | Countryside | 184 | 188 | ●+2 | 13.2 | 4.2 | 12.9 |
| 185 | 155 | Crest Nicholson | 204 | 208 | -1 | 8.3 | 4.0 | 10.4 |
| 118 | 73 | Crosby James | 113 | 118 | .. | 2.7 | 2.3 | 8.1 |
| 291 | 229 | Douglas (WM) | 273 | 280 | +2 | 4.3b | 1.5 | 21.8 |
| 76 | 27 | Drawing Hdgs | 27 | 29 | .. | 1.3 | 4.6 | 21.4 |
| 105 | 76 | Ecc | 91 | 97 | .. | 4.1 | 4.4 | 12.7 |
| 189 | 175 | Federated Hog | 283 | 287 | .. | 6.9 | 2.3 | 10.8 |
| 108 | 75 | Finlan Gp | 98 | 102 | .. | 6.2 | 7.8 | 13.2 |
| 78 | 58 | Galliford | 68 | 72 | .. | 3.8 | 5.5 | 15.4 |
| 263 | 210 | Gibbs & Dandy Ord | 255 | 265 | .. | 8.6 | 3.4 | 14.0 |
| 555 | 385 | Gleeson (MJ) | 545 | 555 | ●+10 | 9.5 | 1.7 | 13.3 |
| 257 | 205 | Harrison Ind | 252 | 262 | ●+5 | 9.1 | 3.5 | 12.1 |
| 307 | 245 | Hepworth Ceramic | 295 | 305 | .. | 9.1 | 3.0 | 12.1 |
| 321 | 259 | Heywood Williams | 303 | 310 | .. | 13.0 | 4.2 | 12.5 |
| 380 | 291 | Higgs & Hill | 373 | 383 | .. | 12.3 | 3.3 | 11.8 |
| 90 | 67 | Hind Gp | 87 | 90 | .. | 4.1 | 4.7 | 11.5 |
| 78 | 58 | Howard Hdgs | 75 | 80 | .. | 1.9 | 2.1 | 11.1 |
| 169 | 141 | Ibstock Johnsen | 166 | 169 | +1 | 5.5 | 3.3 | 13.0 |
| 189 | 87 | Jarvis (J) & Sons | 186 | 188 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 356 | 270 | Lang (J) | 305 | 308 | +2 | 9.6 | 3.1 | 9.1 |
| 169 | 111 | Lawrence (Walter) | 164 | 167 | +2 | 6.5 | 3.9 | 10.5 |
| 295 | 235 | Lilley Ken | 270 | 280 | -2½ | .. | .. | .. |
| 260 | 218 | Lovell (YJ) | 237 | 245 | .. | 7.0 | 2.9 | 11.4 |
| 263 | 196 | Magnet (aa) | 247 | 249 | ●+1 | 9.2 | 3.7 | 12.6 |
| 203 | 147½ | Mansfield | 188 | 202 | ●+2 | 7.3 | 3.7 | 22.3 |
| 138 | 128 | Marley | 135 | 137 | ●+1 | 5.2 | 3.8 | 10.7 |
| 263 | 236½ | Marshalls (Halifax) | 243 | 248 | -2 | 9.7 | 3.9 | 11.8 |
| 134 | 78 | Meandres (J) | 106 | 117 | .. | 2.9 | 2.6 | 18.3 |
| 397 | 307 | McAlpine (Alfred) | 340 | 345 | ●+5 | 21.5 | 4.9 | 8.8 |
| 437 | 418 | McCarthy & S | 424 | 430 | ●+5 | 17.3 | 4.0 | 12.9 |
| 341 | 277 | Miller Ast | 327 | 330 | ●+3 | 12.7 | 3.8 | 15.5 |
| 237 | 56 | Miller (Stanley) | 190 | 195 | +3 | 1.7 | 0.9 | .. |
| 438 | 347 | Mowlem (John) | 377 | 380 | +3 | 23.6 | 6.2 | 9.9 |
| 16 | 11 | NSM | 13 | 17 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 198 | 100 | Nuttall | 192 | 196 | .. | 10.2 | 5.2 | 8.8 |
| 187 | 172 | Newman Tonks | 180 | 183 | ●-1 | 10.5 | 5.8 | 13.3 |
| 195 | 110 | Pecksniffs | 188 | 193 | .. | 4.1 | 2.4 | 13.7 |
| 120 | 86 | Phoenix Timber | 113 | 117 | .. | 3.3 | 2.9 | 11.4 |
| 715 | 715 | Redland | 720 | 730 | .. | 27.9 | 3.8 | 11.1 |
| 111 | 82 | Rees Hldg (aa) | 97 | 99 | .. | 2.7 | 2.8 | 18.5 |
| 147 | 108 | Rees Ind | 140 | 145 | .. | 5.8 | 4.0 | 9.2 |
| 447 | 348 | Redland (aa) | 428 | 430 | ●+10 | 26.0 | 6.0 | 9.2 |
| 155 | 120 | Rugby Group | 150 | 152 | -1 | 5.8 | 3.8 | 16.8 |
| 253 | 205 | Sandell Perkins | 245 | 250 | .. | 7.2 | 2.9 | 11.8 |
| 263 | 173 | Sharpe & Fisher | 237 | 247 | .. | 5.5 | 2.4 | 15.5 |
| 341 | 266 | Smart (J) | 341 | 346 | .. | 7.2 | 2.1 | 16.8 |
| 165 | 140 | Tarmac | 163 | 167 | .. | 7.2 | 4.4 | 11.2 |
| 265 | 215 | Taylor Woodrow (aa) | 263 | 267 | -1 | 14.9 | 5.6 | 7.4 |
| 135 | 108 | Tilbury Group | 132 | 135 | -1 | 4.5 | 3.4 | 11.7 |
| 483 | 380 | Tilling (John) | 480 | 485 | ●+5 | 22.5 | 4.6 | 10.0 |
| 83 | 60 | Tilling Mitchell | 77 | 80 | .. | 2.6 | 3.3 | 15.3 |
| 309 | 250 | Wimpey | 275 | 279 | +1 | 12.3 | 4.4 | 11.2 |

## ELECTRICALS

| 1988 High | Low | Company | Price Bid | Offer | Ch'nge | Gross div p | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 449 | 340 | AB Elec | 442 | 455 | +0 300 | 0 | .. | .. |
| 173 | 87 | Admiral Comp | 142 | 147 | -5 | 4.0 | 2.8 | 19.1 |
| 133 | 88 | Alba | 130 | 135 | +5 | 4.7 | 3.5 | 14.9 |
| 231 | 217 | Alphameric | 230 | 235 | .. | 4.7 | 1.5 | 14.9 |
| 1021 | 1021 | Amstrad (aa) | 1021 | 1023 | -1 | 12.0 | 0.5 | 13.5 |
| 307 | 83 | Apricot Computers | 292 | 297 | .. | 2.7 | 2.3 | 33.8 |
| 170 | 118 | Arlen | 118 | 125 | ●-2 | 4.0b | 3.3 | 9.8 |
| 510 | 335 | Atlantic Comp | 492 | 498 | ●+8 | 9.6 | 1.9 | 14.2 |
| 141 | 77 | Audio Fidelity | 133 | 138 | .. | 2.1 | 1.1 | 18.9 |
| 276 | 222 | Audio Sec | 270 | 272 | +1 | 6.7 | 2.5 | 10.2 |
| 56 | 36 | Beacon Gp | 36 | 38 | .. | 0.7 | 1.7 | .. |
| 1021 | 1021 | Bennett & Fountain | 1021 | 1023 | .. | 31.0 | 3.0 | 14.9 |
| 367 | 241 | BICC (aa) | 355 | 359 | ●+6 | 17.3 | 4.7 | 10.8 |
| 105 | 82 | BSR | 102 | 105 | .. | 6.1 | 5.8 | 8.4 |
| 208 | 153 | Bibby | 202 | 208 | ●+6 | .. | .. | .. |
| 174 | 149 | Barlow | 170 | 180 | .. | 4.5b | 2.5 | 13.6 |
| 268 | 174 | Brit Aerospace | 188 | 190 | ●+5 | 27.1 | 1.5 | 15.2 |
| 268 | 238 | Br Telecom (aa) | 248 | 247 | ●+1½ | 12.7 | 5.1 | 10.2 |
| 28 | 13 | Burgin (AF) 'A' | 21 | 24 | ●+1 | 1.3 | 5.3 | 14.8 |
| 207 | 193 | CAP Group | 203 | 205 | ●+2 | 12.7 | 6.2 | 9.2 |
| 126 | 95 | CASE | 121 | 123 | .. | 1.0 | 0.8 | 68.2 |
| 211 | 183 | Cable Wireless (aa) | 211 | 213 | .. | 8.9 | 4.2 | 20.7 |
| 556 | 463 | Cambridge Elec | 556 | 558 | ●+1 | 11.5 | 4.5 | 12.6 |
| 67 | 34 | Cambridge Instr | 58 | 61 | .. | 1.8 | 3.0 | 18.3 |
| 69 | 47 | Chloride | 67 | 69 | ●-2 | 2.7 | 4.7 | 13.7 |
| 1021 | 1021 | Cray Elect | 1021 | 1023 | +3 | 17.0 | 1.6 | 14.2 |
| 151 | 125 | Crystalate | 145 | 147 | .. | 7.9 | 5.1 | 7.4 |
| 82 | 60 | DDT Group | 72 | 82 | -1 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 13.7 |

## FINANCE, LAND

| 1988 High | Low | Company | Price Bid | Offer | Ch'nge | Gross div p | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 295 | 192 | Abingworth | 240 | 245 | .. | 17 | 0.7 | .. |
| 280 | 192 | Action Home | 82 | 87 | +2 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 16.6 |
| 280 | 205 | Amalgamated | 275 | 280 | +2 | 13.7 | 4.9 | 8.1 |
| 87 | 70 | Ass. Heinrques | 77 | 81 | .. | 2.5 | 3.2 | 32.8 |
| 393 | 260 | Authority Hse | 260 | 265 | ● .. | 8.0 | 2.9 | 12.5 |
| 165 | 115 | Berkeley Govett | 157 | 160 | ●+1 | .. | .. | .. |
| 343 | 288 | Br Commonwlth (aa) | 337 | 340 | +1 | 11.0 | 3.6 | 10.1 |
| 138 | 91 | Burns-Anderson | 112 | 117 | ● -1 | 5.0 | 4.3 | 17.7 |
| 29 | 17 | Canadian | 29 | 32 | .. | 2.1 | 7.1 | 44.7 |
| 298 | 230 | Caradoc | 265 | 270 | .. | 13.1 | 4.9 | 11.3 |
| 568 | 413 | Chesters Int | 550 | 558 | +6 | 17.8 | 3.2 | 12.2 |
| 465 | 395 | Harveys&Thompson | 435 | 445 | +5 | 12.3 | 2.8 | 22.0 |
| 145 | 101 | Hill Sam Inv | 94 | 105 | .. | 4.8 | 4.6 | 11.5 |
| 145 | 111 | Henry & Sons | 55 | 57 | .. | 2.7 | 4.8 | 20.9 |
| 39 | 26 | LIT | 29 | 31 | ●-1 | 2.0 | 6.7 | 14.8 |
| 211 | 189 | Mgeake | 200 | 203 | +3 | 8.9 | 4.4 | 31.0 |
| 180 | 165 | Nat Home Loans | 165 | 175 | .. | 9.0 | 5.2 | 9.2 |
| 78 | 72 | Nationwide | 72 | 75 | +2 | .. | .. | .. |
| 180 | 160 | Panaco Plc | 160 | 165 | .. | 1.3 | 0.7 | 22.9 |
| 165 | 110 | Silvermines Plc | 150 | 155 | -3 | .. | .. | .. |
| 89 | 66 | Singer & Friedl | 83 | 86 | +2 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 28.2 |
| 143 | 105 | Templeton Earnh | 139 | 143 | +4 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 9.3 |

## FINANCIAL TRUSTS

| 1988 High | Low | Company | Price Bid | Offer | Ch'nge | Gross div p | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 17 | 11½ | American Express | 17 | .. | ●+½ | .. | .. | .. |
| 108 | 84 | Argyle | 88 | 93 | +1 | 4.1 | 4.6 | 23.6 |
| 110 | 91 | Australian Amer | 91 | 96 | .. | 7.5 | 7.8 | .. |
| 40 | 28½ | Daily Mail | 28 | 31 | ● .. | 94.7 | 3.1 | 13.9 |
| 40 | 25½ | Do 'A' | 28 | 31 | ● .. | 94.7 | 3.2 | 13.5 |
| 210 | 175 | Electra | 200 | 207 | ● .. | 6.4 | 3.1 | 41.4 |
| 210 | 184 | Exco Gp | 204 | 208 | ● .. | 6.4 | 3.1 | 18.5 |
| 119 | 101 | GT Management | 110 | 115 | ● .. | 6.7 | 5.8 | 8.7 |
| 1021 | 1021 | Goode (Derrick) | 1021 | 1023 | ● .. | 24.0 | 2.3 | 9.2 |
| 1021 | 1021 | Henderson Admin | 1021 | 1023 | ● +10 | 36.0 | 3.5 | 9.2 |
| 214 | 184 | IEH | 208 | 212 | ● .. | 6.4 | 3.0 | 18.5 |
| 1021 | 1021 | Jessel | 1021 | 1023 | ● .. | 36.0 | 3.5 | 9.2 |
| 1021 | 1021 | MAM | 1021 | 1023 | ● .. | 36.0 | 3.5 | 9.2 |
| 1021 | 1021 | M & G | 1021 | 1023 | ● .. | 36.0 | 3.5 | 9.2 |
| 1021 | 1021 | Rutland | 1021 | 1023 | ● .. | 36.0 | 3.5 | 9.2 |
| 183 | 150 | Smith New Court | 165 | 169 | ● .. | 10.7 | 5.6 | 9.2 |
| 150 | 116 | Tyndall Hldgs | 140 | 143 | +1 | 6.9 | 4.9 | 13.8 |

## FOODS

| 1988 High | Low | Company | Price Bid | Offer | Ch'nge | Gross div p | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 319 | 274 | AB Food (aa) | 317 | 320 | ●+3 | 11.1 | 3.5 | 10.6 |
| 58 | 37½ | Apen Group (aa) | 57 | 58 | .. | 2.0 | 3.4 | 12.4 |
| 183 | 123 | Appleyard Hldgs | 145 | 155 | ●-2 | 4.1 | 2.7 | 27.1 |
| 212 | 181 | Argyll (aa) | 208 | 210 | ●+2 | 7.1 | 3.4 | 16.1 |
| 212 | 179 | Associated Fisheries | 198 | 203 | .. | 6.7 | 4.0 | 10.7 |
| 219 | 185 | Banks (Sidney Cr | 208 | 210 | +3 | 9.3 | 4.5 | 9.6 |
| 168 | 128 | Barker & Dobson | 133 | 137 | ●+2 | 4.8 | 3.6 | 13.3 |
| 688 | 543 | Bibn (AE) | 688 | 695 | .. | 17.3 | 2.6 | 11.7 |
| 195 | 163 | Bassett Foods | 188 | 192 | ●-10 | 10.4 | 5.4 | 10.6 |
| 97 | 75 | Bishops | 94 | 97 | .. | 2.3 | 2.4 | 13.6 |
| 195 | 163 | Bryan | 176 | 179 | ●+1 | 6.9 | 3.9 | 15.2 |
| 375 | 274 | Bucklers (Stan) (aa) | 372 | 377 | +2 | 14.3 | 3.8 | 15.1 |
| 417 | 347 | Bucker | 382 | 387 | +2 | 21.3 | 5.5 | 14.2 |
| 74 | 58 | Cadbrock | 65 | 68 | .. | 3.7 | 5.4 | .. |
| 174 | 163 | Brake Bros | 163 | 167 | .. | 7.2 | 4.3 | 20.5 |
| 249 | 231 | Cadbury-Schwp (aa) | 375 | 378 | +3 | 11.9 | 2.9 | 21.1 |
| 245 | 186 | Cans (Malcm) | 235 | 245 | .. | 9.7 | 4.0 | 9.5 |
| 207 | 177 | Carrs (Milling) | 205 | 210 | .. | 9.7 | 4.6 | 24.2 |
| 215 | 178 | Do 'A' | 212 | 217 | +10 | 12.1 | 5.6 | 10.7 |
| 78 | 53 | Collens | 67 | 72 | .. | .. | .. | .. |
| 312 | 272 | Dalgety (aa) | 307 | 309 | -2 | 18.2 | 5.5 | 14.2 |
| 147 | 118 | Dartois | 130 | 134 | -1 | 4.5 | 3.3 | 17.8 |
| 213 | 169 | Dee (aa) | 182 | 185 | ●+5 | 11.3 | 6.1 | 12.1 |
| 92 | 72 | England (J) | 82 | 87 | +1 | .. | .. | .. |
| 131 | 78 | Fit Fyffes | 113 | 118 | +3 | 2.5 | 2.3 | 21.7 |
| 83 | 65 | Foster (A) | 75 | 80 | .. | 2.5 | 3.3 | 21.7 |
| 183 | 153 | Gardner Merch | 159 | 165 | ●+1 | 6.9 | 5.7 | 11.4 |
| 165 | 98 | Prestcastle | 158 | 161 | ●+1 | 3.7 | 2.3 | 22.6 |
| 388 | 288 | Ginger | 378 | 382 | .. | 8.5 | 2.2 | 22.1 |
| 388 | 288 | Glenwood Foods | 378 | 382 | .. | 8.5 | 2.2 | 22.1 |
| 388 | 288 | Hillsdown (aa) | 378 | 382 | +2 | 8.5 | 2.2 | 13.6 |
| 188 | 153 | Hunter Saphir | 178 | 182 | .. | 5.4 | 3.0 | 15.9 |
| 313 | 295 | Iceland Frozen | 307 | 309 | .. | 6.0 | 1.7 | 20.8 |
| 370 | 298 | Kwik Save | 365 | 370 | ●+7 | 6.0 | 1.7 | 20.8 |
| 215 | 195 | Lambert (J) | 215 | 225 | .. | 7.1 | 3.2 | 19.2 |
| 213 | 180 | Lovell (GF) | 145 | 205 | .. | 6.7 | 3.3 | 21.2 |
| 660 | 560 | Low (Wm) | 660 | 663 | .. | 21.2 | 3.2 | 15.1 |
| 170 | 145 | Matthews (Bernard) | 165 | 170 | .. | 4.8 | 2.9 | 16.9 |
| 298 | 218 | Northern Foods | 278 | 282 | ●+2 | 6.5 | 2.3 | 13.6 |
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| Worldwide Bd | 191.2 | 202.7e | +0.9 | 4.79 |
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| Asian Pacific | 72.91 | 77.56 | +0.96 | 1.01 |
| Assets & Earns | 148.6 | 158.0 | +2.1 | 1.54 |
| Capital Res | 79.26 | 79.91 | -0.95 | 3.77 |
| Comm Energy | 102.7 | 109.2 | +0.5 | 1.11 |
| Euro Capital | 71.95 | 76.53 | +0.41 | 0.86 |
| General | 166.2 | 176.8e | +0.6 | 2.55 |
| Japan | 94.5 | 101.1 | +0.7 | 0.00 |
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| Do Acc | 186.7 | 199.7 | +2.3 | 1.51 |
| US Emerg Co | 45.77 | 48.89 | +0.39 | 0.00 |
| Income Gth | 262.6 | 279.2 | +1.4 | 3.40 |
| Master Acc | 74.59 | 79.89 | +0.54 | 2.27 |
| American Inc | 44.85 | 47.12e | +0.36 | 1.51 |
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| Extra Inc | 39.06 | 41.48 | +0.23 | 5.16 |
| Fund Invest | 97.83 | 103.7 | .. | 2.16 |
| Do Acc | 147.9 | 157.1 | .. | 2.16 |
| Gt/Fxd Interest | 23.01 | 24.48 | -0.03 | 9.76 |
| Global Income | 36.48 | 38.81 | +0.20 | 4.98 |
| Income Growth | 67.90 | 72.23e | .. | 4.20 |
| Japan Spec | 166.3 | 176.5e | +0.19 | 0.00 |
| N Amer Inc | 26.06 | 27.66 | +0.51 | 3.28 |
| Special Sits | 65.16 | 69.35 | -0.12 | 3.27 |
| UK Growth | 32.99 | 35.10 | +0.41 | 2.98 |
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| Exempt | 462.9 | 423.1e | +1.8 | 4.53 |
| Far Eastern | 220.3 | 234.3 | +0.03 | 0.54 |
| Fin & Prop | 82.30 | 87.14e | +0.17 | 2.45 |
| Hi Yield | 77.82 | 82.40 | +0.18 | 4.21 |
| Income & Gth | 315.4 | 332.1e | +1.2 | 4.20 |
| Intl Earnings | 183.7 | 194.7 | +1.0 | 2.57 |
| Int Gth Inc | 90.10 | 95.94 | +0.29 | 0.23 |
| Japan Gth Acc | 156.0 | 170.3 | -0.2 | 0.00 |
| N Amer Gth Inc | 115.4 | 134.1e | +0.2 | 2.45 |
| Preference Inc | 21.84 | 23.26 | .. | 6.91 |
| Smlr Co Div Inc | 96.1 | 101.8e | .. | 4.31 |
| Smlr Co Gth | 294.1 | 331.6e | +10.0 | 1.54 |
| Spec Sits Inc | 138.4 | 146.1e | .. | 7.62 |
| UK Growth | 385.0 | 407.9e | +2.4 | 3.20 |

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| Equity Inc | 174.7 | 185.3e | +2.1 | 4.21 |
| High Yield | 174.8 | 186.1 | -0.5 | 5.01 |
| Balanced | 424.5 | 452.0 | -1.7 | 3.19 |
| Acmer Inc | 104.7 | 111.0 | +0.04 | 0.00 |
| World Acc Val | 27.56 | 29.35e | +0.11 | 1.02 |
| Japan | 144.5 | 153.8 | +0.3 | 0.01 |
| Sec of Amer | 184.0 | 195.9 | -0.1 | 1.03 |
| Asset Value | 329.3 | 344.8 | +1.3 | 3.10 |
| O'seas Earn | 210.0 | 223.6e | -1.2 | 3.13 |
| Recovery | 101.2 | 107.7 | -0.6 | 2.98 |
| Intl Spec Sits | 285.9 | 283.0 | -1.1 | 2.55 |
| Smlr Co | 172.9 | 184.1e | -0.2 | 2.19 |
| Capital | 256.5 | 273.1 | -1.0 | 2.52 |
| Amer Spec Sit | 83.07 | 67.16 | +0.06 | 1.47 |
| International | 94.53 | 100.6e | +0.28 | 0.96 |
| Growth & Inc | 152.5 | 162.4 | -0.6 | 3.21 |
| Euro Gth | 18.08 | 19.25c | +0.10 | 1.30 |
| Pacific | 231.3 | 246.3e | .. | 0.19 |
| 2nd Smlr Co | 196.1 | 208.8 | -0.2 | 1.89 |

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| Capital | 61.10 | 65.51c | +0.20 | 3.16 |
| Euro Gth Inc | 64.37 | 68.66c | +0.30 | 1.06 |
| Extra Income | 96.0 | 102.4 | +0.2 | 5.08 |
| General | 169.9 | 181.2 | +0.8 | 2.61 |
| Gilt & Fixed Inc | 53.21 | 54.86 | -0.01 | 9.51 |
| Income Tst | 407.2 | 434.3e | +0.7 | 4.10 |

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| Australia | 69.89 | 75.11 | +0.48 | 0.00 |
| Eastern | 82.50 | 88.81 | +1.09 | 0.20 |
| Equity Inc | 70.96 | 75.25 | +0.13 | 5.00 |
| Europe | 121.8 | 129.1 | +0.9 | 0.00 |
| Exempt Tst | 54.27 | 59.46e | +0.56 | 3.10 |
| Growth & Inc | 78.23 | 83.01 | +0.44 | 2.20 |
| Do Acc | 122.0 | 129.5 | +0.6 | 2.20 |
| Global Gth | 63.89 | 67.58 | +0.36 | 0.00 |
| Japan Spec | 145.0 | 153.4e | +0.4 | 0.00 |
| Japan Sm | 154.1 | 164.4 | +2.0 | 0.00 |
| First Europe | 109.0 | 115.7 | +0.9 | 1.00 |
| First Japan | 108.5 | 113.7 | +0.6 | 0.50 |
| First N Amer | 46.19 | 48.99e | +0.30 | 1.40 |
| First Smlr Co | 98.13 | 102.6 | .. | 1.40 |
| N Amer Spec | 43.56 | 46.22 | +0.32 | 0.50 |
| UK Growth | 58.93 | 62.68 | .. | 5.21 |
| Select Man Fd | 47.25 | 50.10 | +0.04 | 2.00 |

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| Financial | 151.9 | 172.8 | -0.4 | 3.91 |
| Smlr Co Acc | 302.2 | 327.9 | -1.3 | 0.82 |
| Do Inc | 191.2 | 207.5 | -0.7 | 1.29 |
| High Income | 90.57 | 96.12 | +0.43 | 5.01 |
| Income | 96.1 | 102.5 | +0.3 | 5.33 |
| Man Portfl Inc | 88.20 | 94.15e | +0.16 | 2.83 |
| Do Acc | 148.8 | 158.9e | +0.3 | 2.20 |
| Nth American | 46.93 | 49.80 | -0.42 | 1.00 |
| Orient | 109.1 | 116.8 | .. | 0.28 |
| Exempt | 275.1 | 290.3 | -0.5 | 2.76 |
| Recovery | 68.11 | 72.71 | -0.21 | 1.81 |
| Samuel | 21.84 | 23.26 | -0.05 | 1.69 |
| Prefference Inc | 25.20 | 26.84 | .. | 6.66 |
| Europe | 16.51 | 17.57 | +0.07 | 3.99 |
| Conv General | 25.26 | 28.85 | +0.16 | 6.61 |

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| Fellowship Inc | 62.71 | 66.54 | .. | 2.81 |
| General Inc 4 | 272.4 | 289.0 | .. | 2.87 |
| Do Acc 4 | 449.8 | 477.3 | .. | 2.87 |
| Income Fd 3 | 140.8 | 149.4 | .. | 3.85 |
| Do Acc 3 | 258.1 | 281.3 | .. | 3.85 |
| Int Income 2 | 106.0 | 112.1 | .. | 2.60 |
| Do Acc 2 | 143.3 | 151.5 | .. | 2.60 |
| Smlr Inc 5 | 99.82 | 106.9e | .. | 1.85 |
| Do Acc | 108.5 | 115.1e | .. | 1.85 |

**BURRAGE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD**
117 Fenchurch Street London EC3M 5AL
Tel: 01-480 7216
Shr Gt Fxd Int 51.42 52.17 +0.16 1.39

**CANNON FUND MANAGERS**
1, Olympic Way, Wembley Middx HA9 0NB
Tel: 01-902 8876

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Growth | 34.53 | 36.73e | -0.22 | 2.79 |
| Income | 43.56 | 46.36e | +0.02 | 4.49 |

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Far East | 30.34 | 32.28e | +0.07 | 0.20 |
| Nth American | 27.84 | 29.62e | +0.16 | 0.70 |
| Global | 45.67 | 48.59 | +0.11 | 0.71 |
| European | 40.44 | 43.02 | +0.24 | 1.33 |
| Japan | 68.01 | 93.62 | +0.10 | 0.01 |
| Strategic Opp | 51.32 | 54.60 | +0.09 | 1.37 |
| Do Acc | 47.5 | 50.5 | .. | 3.31 |
| Int Currency | 45.34 | 47.78 | +0.26 | 6.00 |

**CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT**
PO Box 552 Winchester Hse, 77 London Wall, London EC2M 1DE Tel: 01-588 0998

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capital | 494.7 | 431.9 | -2.5 | 3.14 |
| European S S | 48.70 | 53.03 | +0.45 | 3.17 |
| Far East S S | 52.46 | 55.36 | +0.29 | 0.64 |
| Gold Gen S S | 55.01 | 58.70 | +0.27 | 0.87 |
| Income | 351.6 | 375.2 | +1.9 | 5.02 |
| Ind Sp Sits | 59.63 | 64.08 | +0.69 | 1.90 |
| Nth Amer | 236.5 | 252.3 | +5.3 | 2.78 |

**CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND**
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ Tel: 01-588 1815

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Investment | 461.2 | +6.4 | 4.70 | |
| Fixed Int | 143.2 | -2.2 | 9.69 | |
| Deposit | 57.6 | -12.4 | 9.05 | |

**CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND**
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ Tel: 01-588 1815

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Income | 436.17 | ●+0.93 | 5.07 | |
| Acc | 513.71 | +0.06 | .. | |
| Deposit | 100.0 | .. | .. | 9.89 |

**CHASE MANHATTAN FUND MNGRS**
Woolgate House, Coleman Street London EC2P 2HD Tel: 01-606 3822

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Man Reinvst | 24.13 | 25.53 | .. | .. |
| SC Special Sits | 66.15 | 70.00 | .. | 0.39 |

**CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH Tel: 0800 373993

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Gth | 20.09 | 21.26 | +0.03 | 0.30 |
| Atlas Gth | 22.94 | 24.34 | +0.03 | 0.54 |
| Dragon Gth | 22.91 | 24.30 | +0.03 | 0.54 |
| Equity Intl Inc | 58.69 | 61.89 | -0.10 | 4.89 |
| Do Acc | 59.48 | 62.75 | -0.10 | 4.89 |
| European Gth | 25.34 | 26.90 | +0.11 | 1.47 |
| Gen Equity | 49.73 | 52.49e | +0.5 | 2.04 |
| G/F Invst Gth | 32.80 | 34.44e | +0.03 | 7.43 |
| Gilt & Fixed Inc | 24.52 | 25.74e | -0.52 | 9.58 |
| Intl Income Tst | 22.97 | 24.37e | -0.01 | 5.45 |
| Japan Gth | 28.16 | 50.56e | +0.04 | 0.00 |
| Pacific Gth | 30.09 | 31.84 | -0.08 | 2.20 |
| Special Sits | 37.39 | 39.67 | -0.06 | 1.94 |

**COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS**
St Helen's, 1, Undershaft, London EC3P 3DQ Tel: 01-283 7500 Dealing 01-588 2818

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| UK & Gen Inc | 54.16 | 57.02 | -0.19 | 2.57 |
| Do Acc | 55.78 | 58.72 | -0.20 | 2.57 |
| Income Inc | 55.78 | 59.32 | -0.22 | 3.53 |
| Do Acc | 58.51 | 62.24 | -0.22 | 3.53 |
| Worldwide Inc | 45.22 | 48.09 | -0.17 | 2.51 |
| Do Acc | 45.96 | 48.86e | -0.05 | 0.55 |
| Gamma Inc | 36.91 | 39.27 | -0.05 | 0.91 |
| Do Acc | 37.97 | 39.44 | -0.05 | 0.91 |
| Amer Gth | 34.01 | 36.16 | +0.02 | 0.00 |
| Euro Gth | 54.41 | 57.88 | +0.16 | 0.57 |
| Far East | 85.40 | 88.57 | -0.31 | 0.00 |
| Gilt & Fxd Int | 47.89 | 50.46 | .. | 9.16 |
| World Bond | 41.39 | 43.98 | +0.06 | 8.54 |
| Private Inv Pl | 47.68 | 50.55 | -0.01 | 3.21 |
| Profess Inv Pl | 50.87 | 54.12 | +0.13 | 1.18 |
| Progres Inv Pl | 50.97 | 54.12 | +0.13 | 1.18 |

**CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES LTD**
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW Tel: 04862 5033

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Tst | 105.9 | 114.4e | +2.3 | 0.73 |
| Canadian Gth | 20.96 | 22.74 | +0.26 | 0.97 |
| European Tst | 96.94 | 103.4 | +1.36 | 0.96 |
| Growth Tst | 205.4 | 220.1e | -1.3 | 2.70 |
| Income Tst | 205.7 | 220.4e | -1.3 | 4.42 |

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Do Inc | 254.6 | 270.9 | +1.5 | 4.42 |
| Gilts & Fxd Acc | 111.5 | 117.1 | +0.1 | 9.71 |
| Do Inc | 83.44 | 87.70 | +0.04 | 9.71 |
| N Amer Acc | 120.7 | 128.5 | +0.8 | 2.00 |
| Far East Acc | 216.0 | 229.8 | -0.1 | 0.00 |
| Euro Tst Acc | 134.3 | 142.9 | +0.9 | 0.20 |
| Gen Exempt | 263.3 | 280.2 | +1.6 | 3.05 |
| Int Equity | 41.39 | 44.04 | +0.39 | 2.57 |
| Br Fdmntl Inc | 90.18 | 95.97 | .. | 5.85 |
| Do Acc | 50.16 | 53.37 | .. | 5.85 |

**FOREIGN & COLONIAL**
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA Tel: 01-623 4680

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| US Smlr Co | 93.65 | 98.08 | +0.86 | 0.69 |
| UK Inc Fd | 93.03 | 99.50 | +0.20 | 4.37 |
| Far East Fd | 96.16 | 92.46 | +0.46 | 0.00 |
| Overseas Acc | 84.67 | 89.17 | +0.35 | 2.34 |
| Fxd Interest | 53.14 | 56.35 | +0.01 | 9.99 |
| Natural Res Fd | 69.41 | 64.61 | -0.09 | 1.78 |
| European Inc | 61.77 | 65.92 | +0.09 | 2.25 |
| Financials Fd | 47.19 | 50.47 | +0.33 | 2.37 |
| Intl Tech Fd | 102.7 | 109.9 | +0.7 | 0.76 |
| UK Gth | 69.48 | 74.32 | +0.33 | 2.16 |
| US Major | 47.49 | 50.79 | +0.16 | 0.67 |

**FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS**
190, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA Tel: 041-332 3122

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belgn Gth Acc | 71.76 | 76.33 | +0.19 | 1.20 |
| Do Inc | 71.18 | 75.71 | +0.18 | 1.20 |
| Hi Yield Acc | 30.85 | 32.83e | -0.14 | 4.60 |
| Do Inc | 28.73 | 30.57e | +0.13 | 4.60 |
| Inc Gth | 58.17 | 61.88 | +0.25 | 3.56 |
| Do Inc | 49.85 | 53.04 | +0.29 | 3.50 |
| Serv Co Acc | 73.65 | 78.38 | +0.09 | 0.70 |
| Do Inc | 72.12 | 76.74 | +0.21 | 0.70 |
| American Gth Acc | 81.67 | 86.91 | +0.35 | 0.34 |
| Do Inc | 23.46 | 24.96e | +0.05 | 1.20 |
| Euro Gth Acc | 15.81 | 17.90 | +0.11 | 2.00 |
| Do Inc | 16.73 | 17.81 | +0.12 | 2.00 |

**FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD**
River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY Tel: 0800 414161

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| American | 104.9 | 110.2 | +0.6 | 0.81 |
| Amer Equity Inc | 28.07 | 29.75e | +0.22 | 5.40 |
| Amer Super Sit | 51.77 | 54.78 | +0.14 | 0.16 |
| Australia | 27.49 | 29.12 | +0.18 | 2.16 |
| European | 57.74 | 61.47 | +0.22 | .. |
| European Inc | 21.15 | 22.53 | +0.08 | 4.24 |
| Global Conv | 22.54 | 24.11 | +0.12 | 5.40 |
| Far East Inc | 29.11 | 31.43 | +0.08 | 3.55 |
| Gt/Fxd Interest | 29.19 | 29.47e | .. | 8.56 |
| Growth & Inc | 114.5 | 122.6 | +0.3 | 4.69 |
| Japan Spec Sit | 72.74 | 76.67 | +0.23 | .. |
| Japan Gth | 169.2 | 180.0e | +0.7 | .. |
| Managed Intl | 129.0 | 137.5 | +1.1 | 0.35 |
| Inc Plus | 105.3 | 113.0 | +0.3 | 5.35 |
| Famous Name | 41.39 | 44.36 | +0.08 | 2.47 |
| SE Asia | 43.39 | 46.53 | +0.07 | 0.71 |
| Spec Sit | 274.8 | 294.7 | +2.1 | 0.70 |
| Eastern Opps | 23.84 | 25.34 | +0.11 | 0.00 |
| Intl Bond | 34.53 | 35.89e | +0.18 | 7.36 |
| Sterling Bond | 24.50 | 25.47e | .. | 9.65 |
| Moneybuilder | 28.10 | 27.85e | +0.10 | 2.89 |

**FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT**
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ Tel: 01-628 5181

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Smlr Cos | 177.6 | 187.4 | +1.2 | .. |
| Amer | 128.7 | 135.8 | +0.8 | .. |
| Amer Turn Inc | 204.8 | 215.9e | +1.5 | .. |
| Do Acc | 212.2 | 223.9e | +1.5 | .. |
| Capital Inc | 262.3 | 297.9 | +0.1 | 2.12 |
| Do Acc | 263.2 | 277.7 | +0.1 | 2.12 |
| Conv/Gth Inc | 165.9 | 111.7e | +0.2 | 5.66 |
| Do Acc | 151.6 | 160.0e | +0.3 | 5.66 |
| European Inc | 56.75 | 59.88 | +0.22 | 1.17 |
| Do Acc | 57.22 | 60.38 | +0.45 | 1.17 |
| Extra Inc Inc | 244.5 | 258.0e | +0.7 | 4.56 |
| Do Acc | 260.9 | 256.4e | +0.8 | 4.56 |
| Financial Acc | 45.07 | 47.56 | +0.15 | 0.96 |
| Do Inc | 47.13 | .. | +0.15 | 0.96 |
| Income Tst | 168.0 | 177.3 | +0.1 | 4.01 |
| Do Acc | 188.8 | 198.4 | +0.2 | 3.99 |
| Intl Growth Fd | 147.6 | 155.7 | +0.9 | .. |
| Do Acc | 148.6 | 156.8 | +0.9 | .. |
| Japan/Gen Inc | 124.5 | 131.3 | +0.7 | .. |
| Do Acc | 125.7 | 132.6 | +0.7 | .. |
| Managed Inc Fd | 125.6 | 136.7e | +0.3 | 4.12 |
| PEP '87 | .. | 83.51 | +0.06 | 2.47 |
| PEP 88 | 56.31 | 58.42 | +0.08 | 2.08 |
| Recovery | 182.3 | 198.7e | +0.1 | 1.27 |
| Do Acc | 208.1 | 219.8e | +0.2 | 1.27 |
| Smaller Inc | 58.54 | 61.88 | +0.01 | 2.35 |
| Do Acc | 58.91 | 62.17 | -0.02 | 2.35 |

**FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS**
Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH Tel: Dealing 0722 411411 Admin 0722 411622

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Equity Dist | 239.7 | 254.1 | -0.31 | 2.71 |
| Do Acc | 318.0 | 343.0 | -0.53 | 2.71 |
| Euro Gth Dist | 56.40 | 59.84e | +0.53 | 2.35 |
| Do Acc | 56.76 | 60.23e | +0.53 | 0.63 |
| Fxd Interest Di | 113.9 | 120.2 | +0.09 | 7.77 |
| Do Acc | 149.7 | 157.9 | +0.13 | 7.77 |
| Int. Gth Dist | 55.27 | 58.60 | +0.11 | 3.58 |
| Do Acc | 55.51 | 59.00 | +0.13 | 0.58 |
| Intn Amer Dist | 114.8 | 121.7e | -0.17 | 1.40 |
| Do Acc | 117.3 | 124.4e | -0.17 | 1.40 |
| P Eq Assn Dist | 169.4 | 179.6 | +0.16 | 1.79 |
| Do Acc | 190.0 | 201.5e | +0.41 | 0.00 |
| Steward Dist | 242.7 | 257.2 | -0.05 | 1.46 |
| Do Acc | 255.7 | 271.1 | -0.05 | 1.46 |
| Technology Dist | 69.63 | 73.84e | +0.14 | 0.00 |
| Do Acc | 60.96 | 64.81e | +0.09 | 3.67 |
| N Am Stwd Di | 53.89 | 57.14e | +0.10 | 0.75 |
| Do Acc | 54.55 | 57.84e | +0.10 | 0.75 |

**GT UNIT MANAGERS**
9th Floor, Lynnewater Hse, London EC3M 4TJ Tel: 01-283 2575 Dealing 01-623 8431

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Sp Sits | 58.28 | 62.34 | +0.51 | 0.44 |
| UK Cap Inc | 132.6 | 141.9e | -0.3 | 3.05 |
| Do Acc | 188.5 | 212.4 | -0.5 | 3.05 |
| Do Spec Sits | 54.48 | 58.27 | +0.11 | 0.57 |
| Income Fd | 99.29 | 106.2 | +0.19 | 5.77 |
| International | 160.8 | 172.0 | +1.5 | 1.13 |
| US & General | 44.64 | 47.75 | +0.49 | 0.85 |
| Japan & Gen | 329.7 | 352.7 | +1.5 | 0.29 |
| Far East Gen | 126.1 | 134.9 | +0.9 | 0.30 |
| European Fd | 223.6 | 244.5 | +1.6 | 0.24 |
| Germany Fd | 82.58 | 88.32 | +0.17 | 1.69 |
| Intl Inc Fd | 47.99 | 51.34 | +0.15 | 6.12 |
| Wld Spec Sit | 60.58 | 64.80e | +0.30 | 2.77 |
| Global Prp Inc | 46.67 | 49.92 | -0.86 | 2.46 |
| Do Acc | 46.57 | 49.82 | -0.86 | 2.46 |

**GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS**
Gartmore House, 16-18 Monument St, London EC3R 8AJ Tel: 01-623 1212
Dealing: 01-236 3685 Services: 0800 289236

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| UK Gth Tsts | | | | |
| British Acc | 70.54 | 75.12e | +0.36 | 2.78 |
| Do Inc | 59.52 | 63.78e | +0.31 | 2.78 |
| Chnl Isl Gth | 25.1 | 26.8 | +0.1 | 2.50 |
| Man Expt | 276.3 | 297.4 | +0.49 | 2.52 |
| Pract Inv Inc | 67.79 | 72.53 | +0.35 | 2.48 |
| Do Acc | 126.9 | 135.8 | +0.65 | 2.48 |
| Spec Sits | 59.2 | 63.3 | +0.29 | 2.46 |
| UK Sel Opps | 62.56 | 67.36 | -0.02 | 1.12 |
| UK Smlr Cos | 109.3 | 115.9 | +0.07 | 1.15 |
| Income Tsts | | | | |
| Extra Inc | 60.79 | 65.20 | +0.44 | 5.26 |
| Fixed Interest | 30.11 | 32.29e | +0.10 | 7.52 |
| High Income | 31.61 | 33.90e | +0.14 | 5.19 |
| Income | 100.6 | 107.8e | +0.30 | 4.07 |
| Int Fxd Inc | 23.75 | 25.19 | +0.08 | 7.85 |
| International Tsts | | | | |
| Commod Shrs | 51.88 | 56.36 | +0.05 | 1.29 |

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Frontier Mkts | 26.03 | 27.95 | +0.33 | 0.96 |
| Global | 162.9 | 172.9 | +0.75 | 0.72 |
| Do Dist | 153.8 | 164.0 | +0.71 | 0.72 |
| Glob Inc/Gth | 71.16 | 75.81 | +0.20 | 3.02 |
| Gold Shares | 16.39 | 17.57 | +0.07 | .. |
| Intl Sel Opps | 112.5 | 120.2e | +0.48 | 0.93 |
| Oil & Energy | 49.48 | 49.85 | +0.16 | 2.06 |
| Wrldwide Recov | 91.67 | 97.85 | +0.15 | 0.71 |
| Overseas Tsts | | | | |
| American | 85.58 | 89.84 | +0.25 | 1.28 |
| Amer Sel Opp | 28.18 | 30.17 | +0.08 | 0.53 |
| Australian | 17.14 | 18.39 | -0.08 | 0.78 |
| European | 48.55 | 49.60 | +0.16 | 1.14 |
| Euro Sel Opp | 57.89 | 61.58e | +0.74 | 0.80 |
| Far East | 131.6 | 140.5 | +0.02 | 0.14 |
| Hedged Amer | 30.96 | 32.97 | -0.53 | 0.50 |
| Hong Kong | 92.99 | 98.21 | -0.03 | 1.70 |
| Japan | 78.10 | 83.21 | +0.44 | 0.00 |
| Japan S/Opp | 72.10 | 76.73 | +0.44 | 0.00 |
| Pacific Gth | 52.27 | 55.61 | +0.45 | 0.96 |

**GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT**
Shackleton Hse, 4, Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR Tel: 01-378 7979
Dealing 01-588 0288

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gth Inc | 93.50 | 99.47 | +0.35 | 1.05 |
| American Gth | 82.16 | 86.13 | +0.60 | 0.85 |
| American Inc | 84.05 | 88.19 | +0.62 | 4.45 |
| European Gth | 49.5 | 52.1 | -0.1 | 1.17 |
| Gold & Mnrls | 50.62 | 53.29e | +0.47 | 0.00 |
| Japan Gth | 97.15 | 71.44e | +1.04 | .. |
| Pacific Inc | 89.23 | 94.99e | +0.77 | 3.18 |
| Special Sits | 58.17 | 61.28 | +0.23 | 3.56 |
| UK Prog Inc | 73.30 | 77.96 | +0.73 | 4.34 |
| UK Spec Opps | 151.3 | 161.0e | -0.30 | 1.43 |
| Gt Britain | 38.73 | 41.20 | +0.14 | 3.21 |
| UK Smlr Co | 38.85 | 41.33e | -0.17 | 1.14 |

**GRE UNIT MANAGERS**
Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN Tel: 01-588 4141

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gt/Fxd Interest | 117.0 | 121.6 | .. | 9.17 |
| Gth Equity | 254.5 | 268.4 | -0.1 | 2.87 |
| Gauntlet | 337.4 | 348.6 | -0.8 | 2.87 |
| Income Tst | 97.43 | 102.6 | +0.39 | 4.89 |
| Int Tst | 114.5 | 121.1 | +0.9 | 0.36 |
| N American | 129.7 | 136.1 | +1.1 | 1.54 |
| Pacific | 248.1 | 261.4 | +1.4 | 0.00 |
| Prop Shars | 277.8 | 289.8e | +0.7 | 1.75 |
| Smaller Co | 361.4 | 378.9 | +1.2 | 1.66 |
| European Tst | 247.1 | 261.4 | +5.3 | 1.17 |

**GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**
PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ Tel: 01-623 9333

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Global Gth | 42.12 | 44.81 | +0.38 | 0.80 |
| High Income | 93.84 | 99.83e | +0.70 | 5.16 |
| N Amer Tst | 169.6 | 116.7e | +1.3 | 0.61 |
| Pacific Gth | 43.06 | 45.89 | +0.08 | 0.50 |
| Recovery | 328.6 | 349.5 | +1.1 | 2.23 |
| Sr Voice Inc | 106.3 | 111.1 | +0.4 | 5.54 |
| Sr Voice Gth | 94.89 | 97.18 | +0.7 | 0.96 |
| Sumit & Sm Co | 160.1 | 172.7 | .. | 2.74 |
| TSUSF | 45.82 | 48.36 | +0.65 | 0.80 |

**HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS**
Admin: 8, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. Tel: Enquiries 0277 227300 Dealing 0277 261010

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Equ Inc | 56.00 | 59.42 | +0.39 | 6.19 |
| Canadian Tst | 47.13 | 50.01 | +0.53 | 0.86 |
| Equity Income | 104.2 | 110.6 | +0.4 | 5.34 |
| European Tst | 93.42 | 99.11 | +0.27 | 1.71 |
| High Income | 83.74 | 88.85 | +0.42 | 5.88 |
| Intl Sts Tst | 53.59 | 57.17e | +0.39 | 0.86 |
| Japan/FF Eqty | 151.8 | 139.9 | +0.8 | 0.01 |
| Japan Smlr Co | 141.3 | 149.9 | +0.37 | 0.00 |
| Recov & Asset | 65.79 | 70.18e | +0.18 | 1.65 |
| Scandinavian | 77.14 | 81.95 | +0.21 | 0.79 |
| Smlr Co | 36.6 | 38.9e | .. | 1.10 |
| UK New Gen | 40.00 | 42.56e | +0.10 | 1.17 |

**HENDERSON**
Premier UT Administration Admin 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex. Tel: 0277 261010

| | Bid | Offer | Chng | Yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amer Recov | 97.35 | 103.4 | +0.63 | 0.00 |
| Amer Smlr Co | 97.35 | 103.4 | +0.63 | 0.00 |
| Australian | 113.8 | 121.6 | -0.2 | 1.44 |
| Best of World | 47.36 | 50.84e | +0.07 | 2.16 |
| Cap Gth Inc | 64.32 | 68.25 | -0.06 | 2.37 |
| Do Acc | 64.32 | 68.25 | -0.06 | 2.37 |
| European | 47.03 | 49.77 | +0.23 | 1.09 |
| Euro Inc Tst | 41.20 | 44.05e | -0.29 | 4.16 |
| Euro Smlr Co | 74.64 | 79.83 | +0.68 | 0.00 |
| Far East Inc | 81.57 | 86.57 | +0.27 | 0.00 |
| Financial Tst | 170.4 | 187.1 | +0.1 | 2.48 |
| Fxd Interest | 53.93 | 58.22 | +0.07 | 9.12 |
| Gilt Tst | 40.07 | 42.34e | -1.01 | 7.76 |
| Global Health | 82.33 | 87.53 | +0.37 | 0.00 |
| Global Inc/Gth | 61.39 | 65.79e | +0.14 | 4.14 |
| Global Resrce | 72.86 | 79.13e | +0.56 | 0.53 |
| Global Tech | 105.1 | 113.3e | +0.5 | 0.03 |
| Gold | 91.58 | 97.47 | +0.26 | 0.00 |
| High Income | 245.1 | 265.7e | -2.9 | 0.00 |
| Hong Kong | 57.54 | 61.45e | -0.25 | 0.00 |
| Inc & Gth Inc | 183.6 | 196.3 | +0.1 | 3.51 |
| Do Acc | 328.3 | 351.0 | +0.2 | 3.51 |
| Income Asset | 130.1 | 140.0 | +0.4 | 4.05 |
| International | 156.1 | 167.1 | +0.7 | 1.05 |
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## Helen Connor analyses the job prospects and salaries for this year's batch of university leavers

# A tough time ahead for graduate hunters



All the signs point to 1988 being another good year for graduates looking for jobs and a difficult one for many recruiters. Employment opportunities for new graduates are extremely good. The upward trend in graduate demand has continued and vacancies are at an all-time high.

As in 1987, there are unlikely to be enough graduates available to fully satisfy demand and many employers are concerned about meeting their targets.

The 1988 graduate recruitment market has been lively and will continue to be so well into the autumn.

Traditionally, graduate recruitment activity has reached a peak during the spring-term milkround but more students are now waiting until after their final exams to start their job hunt.

This pattern has been seen quite clearly in 1988. There has been less interest from students in the milkround and employers have had to put more emphasis on summer recruitment activities.

Though the total output of graduates with first degrees in 1988 is not much higher than last year, there are more new graduates on the employment market at this time of year than in the past.

Each year since 1982 the number of new graduates being sought by employers has increased and 1988 is not going to buck this trend. Overall, graduate vacancies are likely to be 8 per cent higher than in 1987.

Most university and polytechnic careers offices have experienced an increase in the number of vacancies notified to them by employers, and advertised vacancies are up by 20 per cent.

The boom in demand for graduates is not evenly spread across employment sectors, and not all recruiters have more vacancies in 1988 than in 1987.

There has been a marked improvement this year in the number of vacancies in industry, especially in the information technology sector, where sudden cutbacks were experienced in 1987 by some companies due to adverse business conditions.

The services sector continues to be active, taking one in three of all graduates entering employment.

The fall-out from last October's stock markets crash appears to have had little effect on demand overall.

This is probably because City institutions recruited relatively small numbers of new graduates in 1987 and any downturn there is likely to have been compensated for by the growth in the graduate intakes in the rest of the financial sector, such as general banking, insurance, building societies and accountancy.

One sector that continues to be gloomy, however, is education, where there is no major swing back to teaching as a career choice for graduates, especially in key shortage subjects such as maths, physics, craft development technology and languages.

The graduate recruitment market now comprises almost 2,000 companies right across the employment spectrum. While a small number of large employers continue to dominate the scene — fewer than 50 companies are likely to recruit more than 10,000 graduates between them in 1988 — there is a growth in interest in graduates from small employers.

Graduates have been boosted by new government-backed schemes such as the Shell Technology Enterprise Programme (STEP) to help place more graduates in small companies. In 1988, 150 graduates will be placed by STEP, up by 40 since last year.

The increasing diversity and competitiveness of the graduate market is illustrated by the widening range of salaries offered to new graduates and the increasing use of fringe benefits.

According to the recent salary survey of members of the Association of Graduate Recruiters (AGR)*, the average starting salary in 1988 is likely to be around £9,200 (excluding London allowances or other benefits), an increase of 8 per cent since 1987, well above the inflation rate.

At the top end of the range are a small number of companies offering salaries of more than £12,000 to individuals, but at the other end some salaries are below £8,000.

The salary range has widened in 1988: the salaries offered by the top 10 per cent of employers are now nearly 40 per cent higher than the bottom 10 per cent.

Concerns about meeting graduate targets this year stem not just from a recognition of increased competition in the market place but also from changes in the timing of student applications. Many companies experienced fewer initial applications from final-year students for milkround interviews this year. In some companies, including some well-established graduate recruiters who are used to receiving 1,000 applications or more on the milkround, applications were down by 20 to 30 per cent.

Part of the reason for the reduction is that students are becoming better informed about careers and more discerning about their application. Many of the employers who experienced a drop in applications reported no decline in the quality of applicants, and selected proportionally more for interview.

But the main reason for the fall-off in spring-term applications is that many more students this year decided to delay their job search until after final exams were out of the way.

This trend has been seen in the past few years in the increasing popularity of summer recruitment fairs and mini-milkrounds during June and July, and a peak in summertime advertising of vacancies.

Attendance last year at summer fairs was up by 50 per cent, although they still accounted for only a tiny proportion of the total recruitment of graduates in 1987 (less than 10 per cent) compared with the milkround.

Preliminary reports indicate that participation at fairs this year was around the same as last year. It seems that some graduates in 1988 may be taking an even more "laid back" view of the brighter employment outlook, preferring not to rush into applying for jobs or going to recruitment fairs immediately after graduation.

In many respects, 1988 has turned out to be a continuation of trends seen in the past few years — more competition, shortages of graduates, especially in technical disciplines, and greater effort and resources being put in by employers to recruit the sort of graduates they need.

Probably the most dramatic change has been the spread in timing of applications for jobs to later in the year, though the milkround continues to hold its own as a key focus of activity.

The main challenge for many employers in 1988 has been how to tailor their graduate recruitment to fit with these trends and compete effectively in the increasingly expensive graduate recruitment market.

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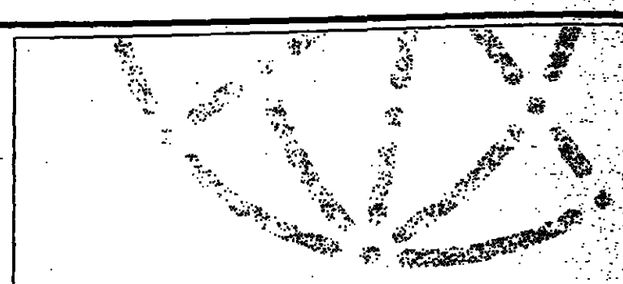
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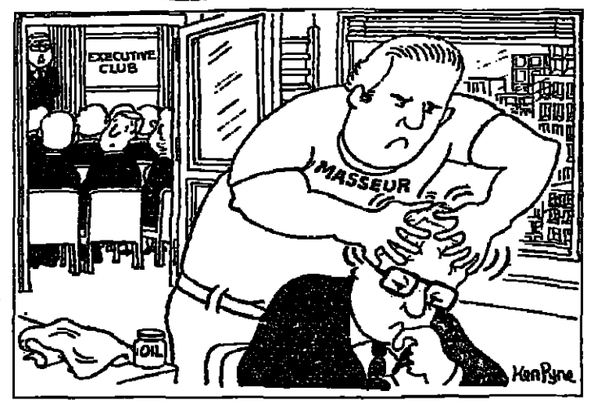
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# HORIZONS

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**Heads of big companies are being trained to see their problems in a new light, writes Ann Hills**

# A lateral view at the top




*Senior managers*, says Geoff Hancock, managing director of Express Foods Group, are quick to say that their subordinates need training, but for themselves it is a different story. That attitude, he believes, is wrong.

Top executives are still responsible to bosses (in his case within the parent group, Grand Metropolitan), to shareholders and to colleagues within the company. The men heading multi-million pound corporations — women are noticeably absent — are also under more pressure than ever with 1992 approaching, reinforcing the fact that trade is essentially global and competitive.

Training is now developing to enable company chiefs to supervise broad shifts in direction, and adapt to new concepts and strategies way beyond such specifics as cutting costs, or meeting targets to increase sales. So who can the top tier turn to for personal training which can enable them to forge ahead with *imagination and fresh* approaches?

The first answer is the Italian Ambrosetti Group, which was formed in the 1960s to run *management education programmes* for multinational clients. It spread to the US and Japan, and earlier this year opened an office in the West End of London.

The second answer is Dr Edward de Bono, who first published his "lateral-thinking" theories in the 1960s, and who now runs occasional courses in Britain among his myriad of *international* efforts to "re-arrange" thinking at all levels from schoolchildren to presidents of companies and countries.

*Mr Hancock turned to Ambrosetti.* He trained as a microbiologist and food technologist, joining Express Foods three years ago, after a steady career with household names such as Unilever, Unigate and Cadbury Schweppes.

He told me: "In the mid-1970s I attended a course at INSEAD, the French international management school near Paris. It opened my mind to the world dimension — I particularly remember discussing cross-cultural issues with a guy from Poland."



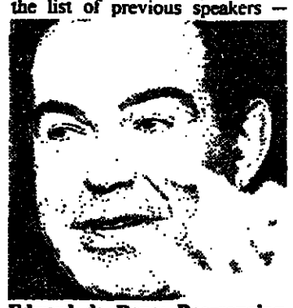
**Geoff Hancock: Mind opened to the world dimension**

Here, amid debates on strategic planning, he met Jerome Foster, then INSEAD's manager of executive education. Today Mr Foster heads Ambrosetti's new venture in London, working nearer his wife Joanna, who is chairman of the Equal Opportunities Commission. Ironically, though, his clients have so far been entirely male.

A mailshot from Mr Foster persuaded Mr Hancock to join Ambrosetti's Alpha-Plus programme this spring.

Alpha-Plus is virtually a top executive's club, which could be likened to a health club for brain power. Executives sign on as members, and are expected to attend a series of about a dozen one-day workshops a year.

Mr Hancock was impressed by the list of previous speakers — from Lord Jenkins to Jimmy Carter — and he found the concept of taking only one day a month, and a few preparatory hours, appealing. "It is very difficult for the boss to take a whole week for self-improvement," he said. Marking down one day a month is a realistic commitment. In that time I can stand back from business".



**Edward de Bono: Rearranging thinking at all levels**

Because there is no scope for substituting another colleague, an *esprit de corps* develops between members, who may come from manufacturing industries, financial services, and occasionally from academic backgrounds.

"The common issues are coping with accelerating rates of changes", says Mr Hancock. He considers that those in senior management "are paid to be good judges, to motivate, and to acknowledge that they manage through others".

In Grand Met he is "something of a pioneer, being self-motivated in seeking training". The Alpha-Plus training will enable him "to stand outside a problem and see it in perspective, rather than be drawn in and see it from one angle. Of course it's easy to say 'that's obvious', but often the little gems are blindingly obvious".

The concepts learnt, he adds, can have long gestation periods — years later they may become a catalyst for new ideas, "a little trigger in the storeroom of my mind".

He doesn't expect staff will notice his "low profile improvement. I don't want to return with missionary zeal: my management style works, but I would hope that my staff will respect me for acknowledging the benefit of training".

Ambrosetti starts its autumn-to-spring session on September 9, tackling "managing business globally: competition, collaboration and control," under the direction of Jose de la Torre, Professor of International Business Strategy at the University of California.

Coincidentally, Edward de Bono's next London-based course on Lateral Thinking for Management overlaps. The dates are September 8 to 9. He works at different levels examining and teaching the "nature of thinking". On the business front, he blames companies for failing "to spend money on concept research and development, on lateral and creative thinking".

Who can benefit according to the de Bono recipe for "fundamental shifts in thinking"? Dr de Bono paints a picture of a less dynamic person "who rises to the top through playing a sound and steady game, a competently done job. He knows wheels need to be oiled and the tank filled with fuel. A third type, who has worked his way up in the organization and sees the value of ideas, beyond mere 'maintenance management', might call me in: I'm always talking to the wrong people — those who are motivated".

But even they might start at the wrong end. "People tend to believe that an analysis of the data will give them all the ideas they need", he said. "That's totally wrong. So is the belief that argument is the best way of producing progress. A better way is exploration and rethinking."

But nothing is simple. "By definition every creative idea must be logical in hindsight. That has led us for 2,400 years to say that if it is logical in hindsight, we should develop better logic — which is totally untrue. Logic only services accepted perceptions."

Recently, Dr de Bono — by now the author of 28 books in 22 languages — completed a seven-part video series in Switzerland called *Lateral Thinking in Management* as a basic resource to build around, and at a cost to reflect its potential value — US$10,000.

At this level, training costs are measured in transatlantic flights, in fees for world-class speakers and time away from work for executives paid in six figure sums. But the stakes are high: the organizer of the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games claimed that Dr de Bono's lateral thinking turned them into a profitable concern. Also in the US, Du Pont wondered how to increase carpet sales. The dramatic answer came with a new product — Stainmaster carpets with fibres impregnated to sponge stains off.

Dr de Bono puts such developments in the category of rethinking in terms of the consumers' lifestyle. Ford, over-producing cars in Europe, might, for example, sell an improved "motoring" concept by extending beyond being an engineering company — a matter he has discussed with them.

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YACHTING

# Destruction Derby race wrecks hopes of British

From Barry Pickthall, Honolulu

It is known as the Destruction Derby, but this year's overnight Molokai race from Waikiki to Maui and back provided nothing more than a frustrating roll of the dice for the 41 crews competing in the Kenwood Cup series here.

Most were thirsting for the breaking seas and screaming spinnaker reaches that traditionally set this Hawaiian ocean racing apart, but the crews returning to Honolulu on Tuesday, including Britain's three-boat team, had tales of wind shifts, calms and bad luck.

The crews from Yeoman XXVII, Indulgence and Juno, who began this race with such high hopes of reducing the gap on a leading American team, ended the race seventh, their sole consolation being that the Americans fared worse. As a result, the British team slipped to fifth in the overall standings and now faces a Herculean task in regaining any respectability during the last two races.

Jubilation, skippered by Gary Wiseman, was a surprise winner, seven minutes ahead of Ceramco, the former Whitbread round-the-world race entry, now in American hands and renamed Winterhawk. Mike Peacock's Juno, skippered by Andrew Hurst, was first of the British, finishing fifteenth in fleet, but seventh among the one-tonners. Indulgence, skippered by Eddie Warden Owen, was fitted with a keel before being shipped to the series, finished second in class, but, arriving at the finish in sight of the smaller one-tonners, slid to 29th on handicap.

Even worse, Robin Aisher's Yeoman XXVII ended the day 25th, dropping 24 places in the calms on the leg back from Maui, leaving her Farr-design Australian counterpart, Great News, to storm in more than a day ahead and take fourth overall. It was a sterling performance that helped lift the Australian red team into first place overall after Sagacious finished fifth to top the one-tonners and The Asanda Way, was tenth.

The series continues today with a 27-mile Olympic race.

RESULTS: Molokai race: (150-miles): 1, Jubilation (US), J James, 17hr 41min 47sec; 2, Winterhawk (US), H Day, 17:48:6; 3, Emeraude (Fr), 17:48:52; 4, Great News (Aus), D Forbes, 17:54:42; 5, Sagacious V (Aus), G Appleby. British: 15, Juno, M Peacock, 18:13:23; 29, Indulgence, A Gray, 18:51:33; 33, Yeoman XXVII, R Aisher, 19:06:44. Team standings: 1, Australia red team, (Great News, Sagacious, The Asanda Way), 195pts; 2, Australia blue, (Ragamuffin, Vanguard, Venture 1), 117; 3, Australia white, (Once a Jolly, Swagman, Ronstan Ultimate Challenge, Sovereign), 114; 4, Japan red, (The Karasu, Matsnrow, Sekaiha), 111; 5, United States white, (Jubilation, General Hospital, Quintessence), 105. British: 7, Yeoman XXVII, Indulgence, Juno, 84. Overall: (Three races): 1, Australia red, 410pts; 2, United States red (Bravura, Champosa V, Insatiable), 315; 3, Australia white, 270; 4, United States white, 265; 5, Great Britain team, 254.

# Barnes has pedigree

**San Diego (Reuter) — Michael Fay has appointed David Barnes, who won the world 12-metre championship off Sardinia last year, to be helmsman on his America's Cup challenger, starting on September 7, against the Americans.**

**Fay also named Richard Morris as the tactician, and Peter Lester, the navigator, for the best-of-three series against Dennis Conner, of the San Diego Yacht Club, the skipper of the controversial catamaran. "With a team of Kiwi battlers and a lot of luck, maybe the catamaran will self-destruct," Fay said.**

**Barnes has been world champion in the 470 class three times and skippered KZ7, New Zealand's challenger in the last America's Cup series off Fremantle — before it won the world 12-metre championship.**

**Lester is a former world OK dinghy champion and was helmsman of Propaganda, the leading boat in Britain's Admiral's Cup last year. Morris is the computer development manager for Fay's challenge. He took part in Fremantle and navigated KZ7 in Sardinia.**

## TODAY'S FIXTURES

**CRICKET**

**Fifth Cornhill Test Match**
11.0, 90 overs minimum
**THE OVAL:** England v West Indies.

**Britannic Assurance Championship**
11.0, 110 overs minimum
**CHELTENHAM:** Gloucestershire v Warwickshire.
**CANTERBURY:** Kent v Leicestershire.
**NORTHAMPTON:** Northamptonshire v Essex.
**WESTON-SUPER-MARE:** Somerset v Surrey.
**EASTBOURNE:** Sussex v Hampshire.
**SHEFFIELD:** Yorkshire v Nottinghamshire.

**Tour match**
11.0 to 6.30
**SLEAFORD:** Minor Counties v Sri Lankans.
**SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Derby:** Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire; **Romford:** Essex v Sussex; **Southampton:** Hampshire v Kent; **Old Trafford:** Lancashire v Surrey; **Leicester:** Leicestershire v Warwickshire; **Harrow CC:** Middlesex v Northamptonshire; **Taunton:** Somerset v Gloucestershire.
**MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Eastern division: Lakenham:** Norfolk v Durham. **Western division: Dorchester:** Dorset v Berkshire.

**OTHER SPORT**

**BOWLS:** Bournemouth open tournament. Scottish national championships (Glasgow). County matches: Cambridgeshire v Suffolk (Cornard BC, Sudbury); Buckinghamshire v Derbyshire (Stony Stratford); Essex v Kent (Writtle); Herefordshire v Warwickshire (Ross-on-Wye); Northamptonshire v Metropolitan Police (Plantsforte Supplies). Surrey finals (Croydon).
**CYCLING:** BCF National track championships (Leicester).
**GLIDING:** Regional championships (Sutton Bank, North Yorkshire).
**GOLF:** Benson and Hedges international (Fulford); British Seniors amateur championship (Royal Burgess and Brumshiel); English girls championship (Long Ashton); British boys internationals (Formby).
**MOTORCYCLING:** Shell Oils British Grand Prix meeting (Donington).
**POLO:** National 15-goal handicap tournament (Cirencester).
**SPEEDWAY:** Matches at Ipswich, Sheffield, Swindon, Middlesbrough.
**SWIMMING:** Esso National age group championships (Coventry).
**YACHTING:** Cowes week.

**SPORT ON TV**

**ATHLETICS:** ITV 8.30-9 p.m.: **The Fastest Men on Earth: Series on Olympic 100 metres champions.**
**CRICKET:** BBC2 10.55 a.m.-1.05 p.m., 1.35-2 (includes golf), 4.10-6.10 p.m.; BBC1 1.50-4.10 p.m. Highlights: 11.35 p.m.: **Fifth Cornhill Test match:** England v West Indies from the Oval.
**GOLF:** BBC2 1.35-2.30 (includes cricket), 3.35-4.10 p.m.: **Benson and Hedges international:** Live coverage from Fulford.

# SPORTS LETTERS

## Expensive wait on MCC's list

*From Mr Philip J. Moran*
Sir, I have been on the waiting-list for MCC membership for two years. I expect no rights or privileges while on the waiting-list, only that my application is fairly considered when my turn comes up in about 30 years' time (I am 35 years old).

I have just received a letter from MCC informing me that I must pay £50 by September 1 to retain my place on the waiting-list. The letter also informs me that there are 8,000 candidates ahead of me. Ignoring any who may be behind me, I estimate that MCC will raise £400,000 in the next month from a body of individuals who have no representative rights.

I wish to table the following questions:

1. Does the membership of MCC know about this committee decision?
2. What precisely will the committee do with the £400,000?
3. What is the reaction of candidates like myself who face a long wait anyway?
4. How long would it be before the committee asks us for more funds to retain our places?
5. Do I wish to join an organization that takes money from the public without joining a self-regulatory body (like FIMBRA)?

I shall leave my decision until the last moment in the hope that all candidates will complain (as I intend to) and that the decision (which I totally deplore) will be reversed.

I am, obediently,
Yours faithfully,
PHILIP J. MORAN,
31 Ligo Avenue,
Stoke Mandeville,
Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire.

## Problems of English cricket

*From Mr D. R. Bartlett*
Sir, Alan Lee (July 28) admits that the reduction of the county championship to 16 matches would have a detrimental effect on the finances of some counties and would impair the enjoyment of some spectators (this is the effect of his remark about sacrificing "a provincial cricket week or two").

He does not mention the most detrimental effect — the drastic reduction in the opportunities for batsmen to bat in first-class matches (a maximum of 32 innings, which few will be able to reach). It cannot be good for the development of Test batsmen when players bat more often in one-day than in first-class matches.

Nor does he give any evidence to support the assertion that changing from three-day to four-day matches would improve England's Test performances — other than to give the names of members of the cricket Establishment who also make this assertion without producing evidence.

We know that both India and New Zealand have done better in Test matches since changing from four-day to three-day matches in domestic competitions. Does Mr Lee have any evidence to show that the reverse would be the case for England?
Yours faithfully,
D. R. BARTLETT,
74 Ashchurch Drive,
Wollaton, Nottingham.

*From Mr Giles Firbank*
Sir, Mr Stewart informs us that he recommends dispensing with all overseas players from our county cricket scene. As usual, our cricket Establishment has to find scapegoats for its own shortcomings.

If 91 per cent of the county players cannot provide an answer summer after summer after summer to our international opponents what induces him to suppose that another nine per cent influx can offer a remedy?

Quite apart from that particular factor I would like to disclose to him that approximately one quarter of our squad, in the international arena of summer 1988, has comprised African or West Indian players, namely Messrs Smith, Pringle, Radford, Lamb, Lynch, DeFreitas and Small.

Yours faithfully,
G. J. C. FIRBANK,
Castle Hill Farm,
Flexford Road,
North Baddesley,
Southampton, Hampshire.

*From Mr K. Kenyon-Thompson*
Sir, How right your cricket correspondent is in his analysis of English cricket (July 28). Alas, the problem is even more intractable.

With GCSE and A level examinations earlier each year, starting now in mid-May, the prospects for school matches at the 15-plus age level are gloomy.

When I first coached at Ruthin School in 1970, my 1st XI had 22 matches, no demurrers and coaching every day except Sunday. In 1988 we had 10 matches with almost no team members from the fifth, sixth and seventh years. Coaching was two days a week if we were lucky.

Winter exams in GCSE and A level have been mooted for several reasons. Another (and not the least) is the survival of the most graceful of game, redolent of the small community.

Incidentally, I have found over 20 years of coaching that schoolboys, like their professional elders, react with careless mediocrity to the stimulus of overs matches.
Yours faithfully,
KEITH KENYON-THOMPSON,
3 Upper Clwyd Street,
Ruthin, Clwyd.

*From Professor G. L. Rogers*
Sir, It has long been recognized that Rugby Union and Rugby League are two quite different games notwithstanding a general similarity in rules and tactics. It is clearly understood that a single individual cannot play Rugby Union and Rugby League in the same season. Both games have generated enthusiastic bands of supporters and are able to build up very respectable international teams.

The time is long overdue to recognize that one-day cricket and three- to five-day cricket are quite distinct games, not least because of the wide differences in tactics and mental attitudes required. It is altogether unreasonable to expect an individual to switch his mental attitudes from one-day cricket to three-day cricket and back again several times in one season. Only when it is clearly recognized that an individual who plays one-day cricket must under no circumstances play three- to five-day cricket and vice versa will it be possible to build up independent teams in the two games which can meet all comers.
Yours sincerely,
G. L. ROGERS,
Badgers Holt,
3 Vale Road,
Budleigh Salterton, Devon.

## Brentwood week

*From Mr C. Gibbon-Smith*
Sir, Reading the article on Essex County Cricket Club (Focus, July 29) listing the grounds they played on, there is no doubt that Jimmy Hough, my old headmaster, would turn in his grave at the omission of Brentwood.

Brentwood cricket week was an event at Brentwood School — the head would discard his black tie for the Essex club tie.

We pupils were expected to go along and support Essex even if we heralded from the roses counties.

Yours faithfully,
C. GIBBON-SMITH (Brentwood School 1934-38),
50 Oaklands,
Bideford, Devon.

## National sides are overpaid

*From Mr Michael Veasey*
Sir, Having just witnessed along with the rest of the land another week of national sporting shame (cricket and tennis, previously football, both rugbies, cricket *et al*) I refuse to sit back without comment or complaint.

Our sports teams are overpaid and not motivated by any form of national pride.

A national sports uniform should be worn, by which they could all be recognized. This will constantly remind the participants that they represent the other 55 million of us not blessed with their talent. Make all teams sing the national anthem before participating. Jingoistic yes, but also inspiring.

Secondly, and more importantly, a system of payment on performance should be enforced, even to the extent of only being paid when they win. In today's economic climate it is the only way to inspire winning performances, and restore some pride.
Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL C. VEASEY,
1 Admirals Walk,
Chelmsford, Essex.

## Ill-judged award

*From Sir Harold Hobson*
Sir, Will no one protest against the man of the match award [to Curtly Ambrose] at the Headingley Test? I know the idea that cricket always used to be played with the generous spirit which a Chris Evert brings to tennis is a delusion.

The antiquarian Stow (1598) ranked it with bear-baiting and wrestling and below cockfighting and dice. Almost to the days of W. G. Grace matches were commonly sold; a common ruse to keep a good player out of a particular game was to spread a report that his wife was dead. Bookmakers openly plied their trade in the pavilion at Lord's and (stirring recent memories) the eminent professional Beldham said that all fine players he had ever heard of would after every match in London meet each other at the Green Man in Oxford Street for the purpose of drinking, card playing, gambling and all manner of rowdiness.

But even this dubious past hardly excuses the award of the man of the match to a bowler who was twice cautioned by the umpire for unsporting behaviour, and who, in order to get the wicket of a crippled opponent wincing with pain, descended to bowling with apparent callousness. Marshall would have been a far better choice.

Allan Lamb's behaviour was magnificent. It went heroically beyond the call of duty, and his long career has been very distinguished. In the Leeds Test Lamb served England spectacularly in extraordinarily difficult circumstances of physical agony. Would not the recognition of this in the next Honours List be appropriate?
Yours sincerely,
HAROLD HOBSON,
Nyton House,
Nyton Road,
Westergate,
Chichester, Sussex.

## No Cowes threat

*From the Head of Generation Development, Central Electricity Generating Board*
Sir, There is no "threat to Cowes Week future" by the proposed Fawley B power station as reported in *The Times* (July 26).

The proposed shipping movements associated with building the new station would amount to, at most, seven per cent of extra movement on the Solent.

Operational flexibility in the planning of shipping arrivals and departures would ensure that activities during Cowes Week would be neither disrupted nor curtailed.
Yours faithfully,
K. M. GAMMON, Head of Generation Development,
Central Electricity Generating Board,
Sudbury House,
15 Newgate Street, EC1.

## ILEA leader answers Minister

*From the Leader of the Inner London Education Authority*
Sir, The Minister for Sport, Colin Moynihan, is quoted by John Goodbody (July 29) as accusing the Inner London Education Authority of "constant delays" in arranging discussions with him over the future of London playing fields.

In fact, ILEA officials approached his office immediately the proposed meeting was approved by our schools sub-committee on May 12. I was ready to meet him then — but his office said he could not meet me until much later. Indeed discussions with all the main sports bodies concerned, including the Sports Council, took place on June 17. Mr Moynihan's office said he couldn't come.

An extra officer has been appointed, with Sports Council funding, initially to work on the future of the centres and playing fields, and full discussions are taking place with the borough councils and other interested users where they are located.

But Mr Moynihan protests too much. The centres are only threatened because of severe £93 million cutbacks imposed by his government on ILEA. And our biggest difficulty at the moment is getting a straight answer from the Department of Education and Science about their future after abolition in 1990.

Yours faithfully,
NEIL FLETCHER,
Leader, Inner London Education Authority,
The County Hall, SE1.

## Lining up a putt

*From Mr Kenneth Leach*
Sir, Captain Todhunter (July 28) seems to have been misled over the essentials of what the Americans call the "plumb bob" method of determining "borrow" or swing on a putt.

1. Stand behind the ball, in a direct line to the flag stick.
2. Hold one's putter up loosely at arm's length so that the shaft is vertical (the plumb bob). With both eyes open the shaft will cover both ball and flag stick.
3. Now close one eye and view only through the master eye.
4. If there is, say, a left to right borrow the putter shaft will not cover the flag stick but stand off to the left, the distance varying with the amount of borrow.
5. Your received knowledge of the speed of the greens will tell you how much of the apparent offset to allow for.

The important thing is to use one's master eye as a gunsmith or indeed one of the Captain's anti-aircraft gunners would tell him.

To determine one's master eye hold up an index finger at arm's length and with both eyes open let it cover some small object, say the figure 12 on a clock. Then close the left eye and if the finger still covers the reference point then the right eye or viewing eye is the master eye. To check, close the right eye and one's finger will appear to stand off to the right of the reference point.

Your quite unperplexed servant,
KENNETH LEACH,
Tanglewood,
Rise Road,
Sunningdale,
Ascot, Berkshire.

## Man beat horse

*From Mr Tim Spanton*
Sir, I'm afraid Jack Waterman (End Column, July 27) is wrong when he states that "never in recorded history has a man raced against a horse and won". Jesse Owens regularly raced horses over 100 yards, usually winning with something to spare — and always against thoroughbreds, not National Hunt "cart horses".

Of course there was a trick. His promoter used to insist on particularly high-spirited thoroughbreds, which invariably reared at the starter's gun. Jesse explained later: "I would be off with a tremendous start. By the time he came down, even though he would be covering 21 feet for every seven I covered, it was too late."
Yours sincerely,
TIM SPANTON,
14 The Cloisters,
Commercial Street, E1.

*From Professor D.F.N. Harrison*
Sir, The race between Alan Wilson and a variety of horses would have had a different result if the distance was 100 metres or the track sand.

My research into the relationship between body weight, air flow and maximum running speed shows that a top sprinter will win over the shorter distance from a standing start. With bare feet on soft sand the sprinter has an even greater advantage over even the fastest horse. In future Dr Wilson should choose his distance and running conditions with greater care.

Yours faithfully,
D. F. N. HARRISON,
Professor of Laryngology and Otology,
The Institute of Laryngology and Otology,
330-332 Gray's Inn Road, WC1.

## Swing and swerve

*From Mr George Lungdale*
Sir, I do not believe that Malcolm Marshall delivers a cricket ball spinning at 11 revs/sec as suggested by Mr D. G. Tallis (July 28).

I doubt whether world-class spin bowlers like Richie Benaud or Jim Laker ever spun the ball at this angular speed.

Mr Tallis confuses "swing" caused by the seam and the shine on the ball with "swerve" caused by spin.

Swerve and swing are dealt with comprehensively by Sir Donald Bradman in *The Art of Cricket* (Hodder and Stoughton, 1958) in a chapter which also contains the classic scientific explanation of swing by Dr R. A. Lyttleton, FRS (St John's College, Cambridge).

Instead of giving the England bowlers the impossible instructions to bowl at 70mph and 11 revs/sec it would do much more good for the whole team to study *The Art of Cricket* and apply the fundamental techniques of the game as laid down by Sir Donald Bradman.
Yours sincerely,
GEORGE R. LANGDALE,
Stone Lodge,
Norton Cuckney,
Mansfield, Nottinghamshire.

## Ridiculous scoring

*From Mr S. R. Forrest*
Sir, Mr Osler's question (July 14) about the replacing of "love" by "zero" in a tennis tie-break is just another example of the ridiculous scoring in the game. Why 15, 30, 40 and deuce to indicate the scores? Why not a simple 1, 2, 3 and level score? If this were adopted, perhaps then the authorities would see the sense in replacing "love" with "zero" — or even "nil".

Certainly in the modern game there is not much evidence of love on the court, either to the opponent and certainly not to the umpires.

Yours etc,
S. R. FORREST,
34 Callaways Road,
Shipston-on-Stour,
Warwickshire.

## A third innings

*From Mr Bruce Streather*
Sir, There are four innings in a Test match. Would it be unreasonable for the English side to have three of these and the West Indian team one?

Yours sincerely,
BRUCE STREATHER,
93 Lansdowne Road, W11.

RACING

# Masterly Eddery swoops on Dwownedd

Leading jockey Pat Eddery gave a masterly performance aboard Jeremy Tree's Dwownedd in the British Thoroughbred Racing & Breeding Handicap at Brighton yesterday.

Although Dwownedd pulls hard, Eddery was instructed to hold him up for a late challenge and he did this to perfection.

He had the 11-4 favourite anchored in last place until just over two furlongs from home and then unleashed his run to take command well inside the final furlong.

Roger Wernham objected to the stewards, claiming that his mount, Shabanaz, who finished second, had been hampered by the winner inside the final furlong. However, his objection was overruled.

Andrew Haddock has already invested £10,000 at 25-1 on his high-class chaser City Entertainer winning next year's Cheltenham Gold Cup, and he will be stacking more cash on following the victory of his other horse, Gypsy's Barn Rat at the seaside course.

"We've had a nice little touch off course on this one, and we'll play up some of the winnings again on City Entertainer," said Haddock, after Gypsy's Barn Rat, a 13-2 chance, had beaten James De Coombe by a neck in the Stanmer Selling Handicap.

Haddock poured cold water on the speculation that City Entertainer, whose form was mainly disappointing last season, will move from Yorkshire trainer Charlotte Postlethwaite.

He said: "Mrs Postlethwaite has been a friend for a long time and we would not switch the horse from her to another yard. They have done very well with him."

● The Princess Royal, who finished fourth on Red Twilight in the Hyde Sporting Promotions Handicap, won by the Diana Jones-ridden Mohssen at Pontefract yesterday, partner O I Oyston at Newmarket on Saturday.

# Bluebook set for sparkling French return

From Our French Racing Correspondent, Deauville

The Deauville season begins today, and despite the lack of an English runner, there is plenty of interest in the card. The £23,250 Prix D'Astarte, a group two contest over the straight mile, is always won by a good filly, and features the return to action of the former Henry Cecil-trained Bluebook.

Lyphka (Cash Asmussen) hails from the Andre Fabre stable, and will probably start favourite. She took the listed Prix des Lilas at Chantilly on her last start.

However, both Raise A Memory (Dominique Boeuf) and Bluebook (Tony Cruz) are likely to represent good each-way value. The former did not stay the trip when disappointing in the Prix Eugene Adam last time out.

Bluebook took the Fred Darling before disappointing in the 1,000 Guineas. Provided she has benefited from her rest, and that her new trainer, Alain Falourd, has her fit and well, Lord Tavistock's chestnut certainly has the ability to win this.

The listed Prix Yacowlef, over six furlongs, features some beautifully-bred unraced two-year-olds. Francois Boutin saddles Lightning Fire, a full-sister to Common Grounds. She may have to give best to Goldneyev, however, who is a Nureyev half-brother to Riviere d'Or.

● Last year's Irish 1,000 Guineas winner Forest Flower has been retired, reported her trainer Ian Balding yesterday.

# Law Report August 4 1988

# Party's risk of secretly dealing with agent who seeks private advantage

**Logicrose Ltd v Southend United Football Club Ltd**

Before Mr Justice Millett
[Judgment July 22]

There was no real difference between the payment of a bribe and the diversion of a principal's money into his agent's pocket.

A party who dealt secretly with an agent behind his principal's back knowing that the agent intended to conceal the dealing from his principal, and might be intending to obtain some private advantage for himself, took the risk that the agent did intend to do so even if that other party had no actual knowledge of or had not been wilfully blind to such an intention.

Since the dealing had effectively deprived the principal of the disinterested advice of his agent he was entitled to elect to rescind or affirm the transaction.

A principal who elected to rescind was bound to return the benefits he had received under the contract, but no more: he was not bound to treat money paid to his agent otherwise than under the contract as if he were paid under it.

Mr Justice Millett so held in the Chancery Division when he dismissed an action by the plaintiff, Logicrose Ltd, against the defendant, Southend United Football Club Ltd, claiming, *inter alia*, repayment of £70,000 or damages for fraud and made an order in favour of the defendant's counterclaim for the agreement between the two parties to be set aside *ab initio*.

Mr Edward Nugee, QC and Mr Frederick Philpott for Logicrose; Mr John McDonnell, QC and Mr Guy Newey for the club.

MR JUSTICE MILLETT said that the defendant was the freehold owner of the football ground and stadium at Roots Hall, Victoria Avenue, Southend.

The plaintiff operated a general market on the car park forming part of the defendant's property and its right to operate the market was granted by licence dated March 13, 1984.

It was negotiated between Mr William Harriss, the principal shareholder and director of the plaintiff, and Mr Andrew MacHutchon, the chairman and controlling shareholder of the defendant, who was the nominee of Mr Anton Johnson.

The terms of the licence precluded the redevelopment of the site. It was entered into against the express advice of the defendant's solicitors although that was not communicated by Mr MacHutchon to his fellow directors.

To obtain the licence the plaintiff was required by Mr MacHutchon, acting on Mr Johnson's instructions, to pay a capital sum of £70,000 not to the defendant, but to an off-shore company, AFC Markets Ltd, incorporated in the Isle of Man, and controlled by Mr MacHutchon.

That was not disclosed by Mr MacHutchon to his fellow directors at the time, but concealed by a series of letters between Mr MacHutchon and Mr Harriss which conveyed the false impression that AFC Markets was an independent market operator which had acquired a market licence from the defendant but was willing to relinquish it in return for a payment by the plaintiff.

Shortly after the grant of the licence to the plaintiff, however, Mr MacHutchon disclosed the payment to his fellow directors, and the greater part of the £70,000 was accounted for to the defendant.

In due course the defendant found that the plaintiff's rights were an obstacle to its plans to redevelop the site, and began to harass the plaintiff. On September 26, 1985 it served a notice on the plaintiff purporting to determine the licence by reason of its alleged failure to make good breaches of covenant.

The plaintiff brought the action for a declaration that the notice to quit was invalid and for other relief to protect its interests under the licence.

It added a claim for the return of the £70,000 or alternatively damages for fraud relying on the letters written by Mr MacHutchon and alleging that Mr Harriss was tricked by the defendant into paying an additional £70,000 for the licence in the belief that that was necessary in order to buy off a rival operator.

The defendant denied the allegation and by its amended counterclaim sought recission of the plaintiff's licence, alleging that, far from being a victim of fraud, Mr Harriss was party to a fraud perpetrated by Mr MacHutchon on the defendant; that the sum of £70,000 was paid to AFC Markets as a bribe or secret commission for the personal benefit of Mr Johnson; and that transaction was corrupt.

Mr MacHutchon denied that allegation asserting that he had acted throughout in the best interest of the defendant. He claimed that he had set up AFC Markets as a captive or nominee company of the defendant, negotiated a licence at a premium of £70,000 and arranged for the premium to be paid to AFC Markets for the defendant's use and benefit in order to keep the money out of the defendant's own bank where it would have been taken in reduction of its overdraft limit and thus rendered unavailable to the defendant. That was the explanation he gave to his fellow directors which they believed.

There were thus three different explanations for what had happened. It was not even clear to the defendant exactly what had happened for the course of events described by Mr Harriss was completely false.

His Lordship was satisfied that he was a thoroughgoing liar. Mr MacHutchon told the truth wherever possible and lied only where he considered it to be necessary to do so but it was not certain where he drew the line. Many of the most important documents were spurious.

The trial took the form of an investigation to discover what had really happened rather than the resolution of a dispute. The hearing took 57 days and the judgment ran to 366 pages.

His Lordship rejected Mr MacHutchon's explanation. He was intending to operate AFC Markets on Mr Johnson's behalf for his personal benefit; his purpose was to enable the capital sum which was from the outset payable by the plaintiff in return for the grant of the market licence to be concealed from his fellow directors and to be paid into a secret account under his sole control where it would be at Mr Johnson's disposal.

Mr Harriss's claim that he was tricked into paying the £70,000 to AFC Markets in the belief that he was buying off a rival operator was also rejected as fraudulent and dishonest. He knowingly participated with Mr MacHutchon in concocting false letters designed to mislead the defendant's directors about the true nature of AFC Markets.

He never believed that AFC Markets was a captive or nominee company of the defendant and never intended that the money he way paying to that company should be held for the benefit of the defendant; he assumed it was going into Mr Johnson's pocket.

His Lordship held that the notice to quit served by the defendant was invalid; but that was academic. The plaintiff's claim to the repayment of the £70,000 or damages for fraud failed and the defendant's amended counterclaim succeeded.

The action would be dismissed and an order made that the plaintiff's licence to operate the market be set aside *ab initio* with all the necessary accounts and inquiries. No part of the £70,000 was returnable to the plaintiff.

As to the law, his Lordship said that the defendant had been deprived of the right to decide for itself or by a disinterested agent whether to affirm or reject the agreement to grant the licence.

However, the defendant had to establish that it had been deprived of the disinterested advice of its agent by or at least to the knowledge of the plaintiff. That condition had no doubt been satisfied.

It was immaterial whether the initiative for the agent's taking an interest of his own came from the agent himself or from the other party to the transaction. It was also immaterial whether the other party provided it directly or knowingly assisted the agent to obtain it, for example by diverting to himself or an associate a payment intended for his principal.

In all the reported cases the other party had provided it himself and had been fully aware of the agent's personal interest. There was, accordingly, no direct authority on the degree of knowledge which he had to possess of the existence of the agent's personal interest.

With one reservation the plaintiff's submission that nothing less than actual knowledge or wilful blindness would suffice was accepted. In particular constructive notice would not do.

Parties to a transaction did not owe each other a duty to act reasonably, but only to act honestly. In the present context the principal's right was a right to rescind for fraud not negligence. There was a close parallel with the cases on knowing assistance in a breach of trust.

The same facts might give rise to different remedies and, as the present case demonstrated, it would often be impossible to distinguish between the payment of a bribe or secret commission properly so-called and the diversion of the principal's money into the agent's pocket.

There could not be any real difference between the secret payment to the agent of a sum additional to the purchase price and the payment to him of part of the purchase price of which his principal was unaware.

The difference between the two lines of authority (that was to say the bribery cases and the knowing assistance cases) lay not in the factual background but in the remedy sought; and the state of mind necessary to make the other party liable ought to be the same whether the claim was for an account of the money which he helped the agent to misappropriate or rescission of the transaction itself.

The one reservation made for the sake of completeness was that where one party to a transaction took what Lord Justice Collins described as "the hazardous course" of making payment for the personal benefit of the other's agent, and did not disclose it to the principal, he could not afterwards defend the transaction by claiming that he believed the agent to be an honest man who would disclose it himself: *Grant v Gold Exploration and Development Syndicate* ([1900] 1 QB 233, 249-250).

Where, therefore, knowing that the agent had an interest of his own he did not disclose it to the other party, then in the words of Lord Justice Collins (at p249): "He must at least accept the risk of the agent's not doing so."

In his Lordship's judgment the converse must equally apply that the other party knowing that the agent might intend to obtain some private advantage for himself took the risk that he did intend to do so.

The two were only different aspects of the same general principle expressed in varying terms and contexts but alway forcibly and to the same effect: see *Panama and South Pacific Telegraph Co v India Rubber, Gutta Percha and Telegraph Works Co* ((1875) 10 Ch App 515, 526) *per* Lord Justice James and *Shipway v Broadwood* ([1899] 1 QB 369, 373) *per* Lord Justice Chitty.

The defendant having rescinded the agreement *ab initio* had to make *restitutio in integrum* to the plaintiff. The plaintiff submitted that if full restitution was to be made to it so as to restore the status *ante quo* the £70,000 paid by it to AFC Markets had to be returned to it.

There appeared to be no direct authority on the question but the submission was not well founded: see *dicta* of Lord Justice Collins in *Grant v Gold Exploration and Development Syndicate* ([1900] 1 QB 233, 251).

The principal was entitled to recover a bribe from his agent whether he affirmed or repudiated the transaction itself. If the principal elected to affirm the transaction he was entitled to recover the amount of the benefit from the other party as money had and received to his use but had to give credit for anything already recovered from the agent: *Hovenden v Millhoff* ((1900) 83 LT 41, 42, 43); *Mahesan v Malaysia Housing Society* ([1979] AC 374, 383); *Armagas Ltd v Mondogas SA* ([1986] AC 717, 743).

It was thus clearly established that a principal whose agent had been bribed was entitled as against the other party to treat the bribe as the consideration. But he was not bound to do so. He made no such assertion as against the agent; he recovered against him because it was a secret profit not because it was part of the consideration.

The other party having paid it secretly to the agent as a gift to him instead of openly could not say (though only when it came to light) that it was part of the consideration after all.

The plaintiff's submission that whatever might be the position where the payment to the agent was a bribe or secret commission the result would be different where the payment to the agent was out of money properly payable to the principal was rejected.

Because first, the difference between the two cases was unreal.

Second, there was neither logic nor justice in a rule which required a person who used his own money to bribe the other party's agent to forfeit the amount of the bribe, but allowed him to recover it if he was clever enough to bribe him with the other party's money.

Solicitors: Ross Williams Wakefield & Co; Jefferies, Southend-on-Sea.

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# Galliari to lead another Cecil charge

By Mandarin
(Michael Phillips)

Henry Cecil may well be right to moan that most of his older horses are either no good or wrong in wind and limb.

It must be a depressing situation for one who sets himself such high standards.

However, the champion trainer can at least console himself with the knowledge that his two-year-olds are in sparkling form, so much so that he has already established a power base from which he can launch assaults on the major prizes later this season and next.

For the record, Cecil has now won with the last nine two-year-olds that he has run and the bookmakers are so in awe that they have four of the top five quoted for next year's 2,000 Guineas all coming from Warren Place.

Against that impressive background, Galliari (3.45) and Priceless Pearl (4.45) are expected to carry on the good work at Yarmouth today.

Galliari certainly ran well enough at Sandown first time out in the race won by Spitfire (a creditable second to High Estate at Goodwood since) to suggest that he can win the About Anglia Maiden Stakes which the stable plundered 12 months ago with Salse.

On that occasion Cecil and Steve Cauthen went on to complete a double by also winning the EBF Scroby Sands Maiden Filly Stakes with Red Guitars.

This time they can pull off another double by capturing the same race with Priceless Pearl, who is a half-sister to Cecil's 1982 William Hill Futurity winner, Dunbeath, by the successful American stallion Alydar.

Incidentally, the same mating produced Saratoga Six, a crack two-year-old in the United States four years ago.

Earlier in the day, Mascalls Girl, from Peter Makin's Ogbourne Maisey yard, can trigger off a treble for Cauthen by winning the Thoroughbred Levels Selling Handicap.

Otherwise, it could pay to follow the successful young



William Haggas: fancied for long-range treble

Newmarket trainer William Haggas both at Yarmouth and at Pontefract.

On the Norfolk track I expect him to saddle a double, thanks to Al Khaled (2.15) and Cold Marble (3.15), while at Pontefract English Mint can make her contribution to a profitable day for the stable by landing my nap in round three of the Whitelane Apprentice Series.

The way that she has finished at the end of seven furlongs in her last two races, at Folkestone and Doncaster, suggested that she is crying out for today's slightly longer trip of a mile.

At Doncaster, English Mint only just failed to catch Thatchenne to whom she was trying to give two stone.

Both on that and her previous third to Spanish Heart at Folkestone she is far from harshly treated in today's handicap with 8st 11lb, even against older horses.

In the absence of rain, my other principal fancies on the South Yorkshire track are Marionella (4.15) and Light Of Hope (4.45).

Only in the event of rain changing the ground dramatically would I expect Spanish Pine to beat Shadow Minister in the Websters 150th Anniversary Handicap.

For Spanish Pine is clearly at his best these days only when there is plenty of give in the ground, having chipped a bone in his knee last autumn.

In going for Abathatc to win the Brighton Sprint Handicap I am mindful of two facts.

First, he was beaten over the same course and distance by Pick Of The Pack at level weights during the first half of last season.

Second, he has never won beyond five furlongs.

However, I think that the risk is worth taking as his overall record this season is the better.

Furthermore, that other expensive Stewards' Cup flop Indian Jubilee is tied very closely indeed to Gallant Hope, who was also beaten at Goodwood on Saturday, on their Wokingham Stakes form.

## Chaplins Club again

Chaplins Club, who won at Ayr Tuesday night, landed his seventh success in 18 days when capturing the Rapid Raceline Handicap at Pontefract yesterday.

## Blinkered first time

BRIGHTON: 2.30 Letsbeonestaboutit. Nice Catch. PONTEFRACT: 3.15 Sunjist; 3.45 Acestes; 4.15 Dancing Daza. YARMOUTH: 2.15 French King, Pride Of Kirby.

## YARMOUTH

### Selections

By Mandarin

2.15 Al Khaled. 2.45 Mascalls Girl. 3.15 Cold Marble. 3.45 Galliari. 4.15 Aquarian Prince. 4.45 Priceless Pearl.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.15 Sunfleet. 2.45 Pull Through. 3.15 Cold Marble. 3.45 GALLIARI (nap). 4.15 Hajjar. 4.45 Priceless Pearl.

Michael Seely's selection: 4.45 Priceless Pearl.

**Going: good to firm**
**Draw: 6f-1m, high numbers best**

**2.15 CITY OF NORWICH MAIDEN CLAIMING STAKES (£1,870: 1m 2f) (9 runners)**

1 4263 SUNFLEET 6 (BF) R Williams 4-9-5 ..... S Cauthen 6
3 5006 FRENCH KING 15 (V) R Casey 4-9-0 ..... Paul Eddery 9
4 0 CONNIE PEARSON 5 W J Musson 4-8-12 .. A Mackay 2
5 4406 HARD TO COME BY 38 D Morley 3-8-8 ..... M Roberts 4
7 0-04 AL KHALED 38 W Haggas 3-8-6 ..... M Hills 7
8 05 MARLIN DANCER 26 G Huffer 3-8-6 ..... P Robinson 1
9 5040 UNCLE BUCKY 9 (V) D Arbuthnot 3-8-3 ..... R Hills 5
10 0540 FANTASQUE 27 Pat Mitchell 3-8-1 ..... — 6
12 0543 PRIDE OF KIRBY 9 (B) G Blum 3-8-1 .. G Bardwell (3) 3

5-2 Al Khaled, 11-4 Sunfleet, 4-1 Hard To Come By.

**2.45 THROUGHBRED LEVELS SELLING HANDICAP (£909: 1m) (13)**

1 4053 CHESAPEAKE CITY 125J R Champion 3-9-2 .. M Hills 6
2 0060 I'M BANANAS 22 K Ivory 3-9-2 ..... G Bardwell (3) 3
3 0050 WEST LEAT 51 G Lewis 3-9-0 ..... Paul Eddery 7
4 5250 PULL THROUGH 5 F Durr 3-8-10 ..... Jane Cottam (7) 4
6 0-42 MASCALLS GIRL 35 P Makin 3-8-8 ..... S Cauthen 9
8 5004 STAMFORD BOY 2 (B) M Brittain 3-8-6 .. A Munro (5) 11
9 0000 MILLERS GILT 23 M Ryan 3-8-4 ..... P Robinson 8
10 /000 MALACHI LAD 436 Pat Mitchell 4-8-4 .. B Nicholl (7) 12
11 -000 SPRINGHOUSEDRESSES 9 (B) G Blum 3-8-2 ..... P Bloomfield 13
12 -144 SPECIAL RESERVE 66 (BF,D,S) P Haslam 3-8-0 ..... M Roberts 10
14 05-0 PIPERS ENTERPRISE 8 W Holden 4-8-0 M L Thomas 6
16 000 OLD PARK LANE 30 K Ivory 4-7-13 ..... J Carter (5) 1
17 0000 LADY HUNTER 20 M Charles 4-7-13 ..... A Mackay 2

15-8 Mascalls Girl, 7-2 Special Reserve, 11-2 Chesapeake Cry, 6-1 West Leat, 8-1 Pull Through, 10-1 Stamford Boy.

**3.15 FREDDIE STAR HANDICAP (£2,456: 1m 6f) (5)**

1 1424 ALL IS REVEALED 8 (V,CD,F,G) D Thom 6-9-10 ..... S Cauthen 5
3 1111 COLD MARBLE 28 (D,F,S) W Haggas 3-8-5 ..... Dale Gibson (5) 4
6 -043 ALRAZZI 34 J Toller 3-8-3 ..... Jaki Houston 3
8 -036 STAG PARLOUR 20 J Toller 3-8-0 ..... R Hills 2
9 3302 MERCHANT'S DREAM 22 (CD,G) M Ryan 3-7-13 ..... G Bardwell (3) 1

10-11 Cold Marble, 4-1 All Is Revealed, 9-2 Merchant's Dream, 8-1 Alrazzi, Stag Parlour.

**3.45 ABOUT ANGLIA MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O colts and geldings: £1,661: 7f) (10)**

2 34 CHARLY O'BRIAN 8 R Casey 9-0 ..... M Hills 3
3 0 CHART CROSS 47 N Callaghan 9-0 ..... Paul Eddery 4
4 24 FISHERMAN'S CROFT 28 C Brittain 9-0 ..... W Ryan 9
5 4 GALLIARI 33 H Cecil 9-0 ..... S Cauthen 10
6 00 GREENWICH PAPILLON 27 W Carter 9-0 P Robinson 7
8 LAWHILL A Stewart 9-0 ..... M Roberts 1
9 0 MAFAZA 3 (BF) G Huffer 9-0 ..... A Bond 6
10 MOHAMMED EL-SAHN D Morley 9-0 ..... Rae Guest 5
11 MUSAAHIM H Thomson Jones 9-0 ..... R Hills 8
13 6 PELIGROSO 14 P Kelleway 9-0 ..... G Bardwell (3) 2

4-5 Galliari, 7-2 Musaahim, 8-1 Mafaza, 9-2 Fisherman's Croft, 12-1 Charly O'Brian, Lawhill, 14-1 others.

**4.15 POINTMASTER HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,494: 6f) (11)**

1 0040 JUST JENNINGS 34 (BF) G Lewis 9-7 .. Paul Eddery 6
2 -345 WILCOT 16 H Thomson Jones 9-7 ..... R Hills 1
3 0100 WINDATUM 27 (D,F,G) Mrs N Macauley 9-2 ..... S Cauthen 4
4 0014 AQUARIAN PRINCE 22 (V,D,F) R Casey 8-10 ..... P Robinson 5
6 -065 HELEN HOTEL 15 D Thom 8-6 ..... M Roberts 2
7 0000 HENRY WILLIAM 17 Pat Mitchell 8-6 .. G Bardwell (3) 7
8 0050 MY DIAMOND RING 3 M Usher 8-5 ..... NON RUNNER 8
9 0300 BATCHWORTH HEATH 58 M Brittain 8-3 A Munro (5) 9
10 0-00 EMPRESS KIM 31 C Wall 8-1 ..... W Ryan 10
11 0350 SUMMER EVE 20 A Hide 8-0 ..... R Fox 11
12 3648 HAJJAR 21 N Callaghan 7-13 ..... M L Thomas 3

3-1 Aquarian Prince, 7-2 Helen Hotel, 9-2 Wilcot, 13-2 Windatum, 7-1 Just Jennings, 12-1 Hajjar, 14-1 others.

**4.45 EBF SCROBY SANDS MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,017: 7f) (5)**

2 0 ELEGANT ROSE 29 W Musson 8-11 ..... A Mackay 3
4 LA KARADIA G Pritchard-Gordon 8-11 ..... W Hood 4
5 2 MAJESTICAL EMPRESS 15 B Hanbury 8-11 ..... NON-RUNNER 5
6 NORBILLA P Kelleway 8-11 ..... G Bardwell (3) 1
8 PRICELESS PEARL H Cecil 8-11 ..... S Cauthen 2

2-5 Priceless Pearl, 5-1 Norbilla, 7-1 La Karadia, 10-1 Elegant Rose.

## Course specialists

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 31 winners from 73 runners, 42.5%; B Hanbury, 11 from 54, 20.4%; M Morley, 7 from 37, 18.9%; W Musson, 6 from 32, 18.8%; A Stewart, 10 from 56, 17.9%; P Haslam, 11 from 67, 16.4%.

JOCKEYS: S Cauthen, 37 winners from 128 rides, 28.9%; M Hills, 10 from 49, 20.4%; W Ryan, 11 from 54, 20.4%; Rae Guest, 8 from 49, 16.3%; M Roberts, 12 from 75, 16.0%; Paul Eddery, 8 from 58, 13.8%.

## BRIGHTON

### Selections

By Mandarin

2.00 Elenos.
2.30 Letsbeonestaboutit.
3.00 Abathatc.
3.30 Castle Heights.
4.00 Icecapped.
4.30 Count Me Out.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.00 Marebeau Special.
2.30 Ever Reckless.
3.00 Libra's Comet.
3.30 High Bailiff.
4.00 Frosty Reception.
4.30 Tylers Wood.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.00 ELENOS.

### Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ..... B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F – fell. P – pulled up. U – unseated rider. B – brought down. S – slipped up. R – refused. D – disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing: J- if jumps, F if flat. (B – blinkers. V – visor. H – hood. E – Eyeshield. C – course winner. D – distance winner. CD – course and distance winner. BF – beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F – firm, good to firm, hard. G – good. S – soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

**Going: firm** **Draw: 5f-6f, low numbers best**

**2.0 EBF BLACK ROCK MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £1,900: 7f) (9)**

2 (8) 40 ATLANTIC CEDAR 14 (J Horgan) R Hannon 9-0 ..... B Rouse —
4 (1) 556 DOMELEXTA 26 (B) (A Williams) P Kelleway 9-0 ..... G Carter 89
7 (7) 22 ELENOS 14 (Mrs E Loasmoor) G Harwood 9-0 ..... G Starkey ● 95
8 (5) 4 FRENCH PRETENDER 30 (Kennet Valley Ltd) W Jarvis 9-0 ..... B Raymond 92
9 (9) 0 HIZEEM 17 (H Al-Maktoum) A Stewart 9-0 ..... M Banner —
10 (4) 42 MARABEAU SPECIAL 15 (C Bidwell Jr) M Prescott 9-0 ..... G Duffield 90
16 (3) 6 SELDOM BLUE 43 (Miss E Frahm) N Vigors 9-0 ..... P Cook —
19 (2) 4 TUBS INDISPENSABLE 14 (P Fahey) P Cole 9-0 ..... T Quinn 83
21 (6) GARTH LADY (H Collis) D Haydn Jones 8-9 ..... J Reid —

5-4 Elenos, 7-2 French Pretender, 4-1 Tubs Indispensable, 6-1 Marabeau Special, 12-1 Seldom Blue, 14-1 Hizeem, 16-1 Domelexta, 20-1 Atlantic Cedar, 33-1 Garth Lady.

1987: HELLHESTEN 9-0 G Starkey (3-1 jt-fav) G Harwood 8 ran

**FORM** ELENOS (9-0) 2½l 2nd to Shining Steel (9-0) at Sandown (7f mdn, £3,415, good, July 21, 8 ran) with TUBS INDISPENSABLE (9-0) 7½l 4th and ATLANTIC CEDAR (9-0) 10l 6th.
FRENCH PRETENDER (9-0) 6½l 4th to Citidancer (9-0) at Newmarket (7f mdn, £4,611, good, July 5, 14 ran).
MARABEAU SPECIAL (9-0) short head 2nd to Jadebelle (8-9) at Hamilton (6f mdn, £1,593, good, July 20, 4 ran).
SELDOM BLUE (8-11) 16½l 6th to Luge (8-10) at Salisbury (6f auct, £2,712, good to firm, June 22, 16 ran).
GARTH LADY is by Scottish Derby winner Jalmood out of a 1m 4f winner.
Selection: ELENOS

**2.30 RINGMER SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £810: 5f) (7 runners)**

1 (5) 046 LETSBEONESTABOUTIT 38 (B) (S Roots) G Lewis 8-11 ..... G Starkey ● 99
3 (2) 0 TUMBLEALONG 111 (Shadobourne Ltd) J Scargill 8-11 ..... P Hamblett —
4 (6) 423 EVER RECKLESS 15 (G Monkhouse) F Durr 8-6 ..... P Cook 88
5 (4) 3 LADY KEYSER 17 (Mrs L Crofts) A Hide 8-8 ..... W Carson 82
9 (1) 00050 NICE CATCH 16 (J O'Shea) D A Wilson 8-6 ..... B Rouse 78
10 (3) 5215 NO MORE MAS 14 (D,G) (Mrs H Rowbotham) P Haslam 8-6 ..... T Williams 87
12 (7) 00024 RUNNETT FOR CASH 16 (B) (R Moffatt) M F-Godley 8-6 ..... J Reid 94

BETTING: 11-4 Runnett For Cash, 7-2 No More Mas, 9-2 Letsbeonestaboutit, 5-1 Ever Reckless, 6-1 Lady Keyser, 8-1 Tumblealong, 12-1 Nice Catch.

1987: ENCHANTED SEAL 8-11 J Matthies (15-2) M Madgwick 4 ran

**FORM** LETSBEONESTABOUTIT (9-0) 4½l 4th to Commeneal Claire (8-9) at Epsom on penultimate start (5f mdn, £2,734, good, June 3, 7 ran).
EVER RECKLESS (8-9) 2l 2nd to Hogans Hero (9-0) at Warwick (5f mdn, £615, soft, July 15, 9 ran) with NICE CATCH (8-9) 7½l 5th.
LADY KEYSER (8-6) 9l 3rd to Fire Sprite (8-6) at Pontefract (5f sell, £885, good to soft, July 18, 11 ran).
NO MORE MAS (8-6) beat Dianabelle (8-6) 1½l in a Folkestone seller (5f, £799, good, July 12, 4 ran) on penultimate start.
RUNNETT FOR CASH (8-1) 10l 4th to Wasimah (9-4) at Folkestone last time (5f hcap, £1,380, good, July 19, 8 ran).
Selection: LETSBEONESTABOUTIT

**3.0 BRIGHTON SPRINT HANDICAP (£8,012: 6f) (10 runners)**

3 (3) 133132 ABATHATC 19 (F,G,S) (R Mello) C Nelson 4-9-10 ..... J Reid 95
4 (7) 6-00400 PICK OF THE PACK 9 (CD,F,G) (Lord McAlpine) P Cundell 4-8-4 ..... G Starkey 93
6 (6) 103610 INDIAN JUBILEE 9 (CD,F,G,S) (J Horgan) R Hannon 4-8-12 ..... B Rouse 96
8 (4) 254335 GALLANT HOPE 5 (D,F,G) (Mrs N Duffield) L Cottrell 6-8-10 ..... W Carson 95
9 (10) 10 LIBRA'S COMET 9 (D,F) (M Fustok) M Moubarak 3-8-7 ..... G Carter 81
12 (8) 330600 CARELESS WHISPER 9 (B,D,F) (Lord Matthews) I Matthews 5-8-4 ..... N Day 90
13 (9) 2-1696 IDRAK 34 (G) (Maktoum Al-Maktoum) M Stoute 3-8-3 ..... G Duffield 88
14 (1) 021006 APRIL FOOL 10 (B,D,F,G) (Mrs E Robbins) L Cottrell 6-8-2 ..... N Adams 95
15 (5) 122296 ERWIN BACH 14 (B,CD,F,S) (Lord Vestey) D Morley 3-8-2 ..... T Williams 91
17 (2) 500102 GREEN DOLLAR 10 (CD,F,G) (B Azamoudeh) E Wheeler 5-7-9 ..... L Riggio (5) ● 99

BETTING: 7-2 Abathatc, 5-1 Gallant Hope, 6-1 Indian Jubilee, 8-1 Green Dollar, Idrak, 10-1 April Fool, Pick Of The Pack, 12-1 Libra's Comet, Careless Whisper, 14-1 Erwin Bach.

1987: QUICK SNAP 3-9-3 R Curant (7-1) A Ingham 9 ran

**FORM** ABATHATC (8-13) 2l 2nd to Cregside (8-9) at Newbury (5f hcap, £8,077, good, July 16, 12 ran).
INDIAN JUBILEE (9-4) beat High Velocity (7-7) ½l at Newbury on penultimate start (5f hcap, £3,831, good, June 28, 12 ran).
GALLANT HOPE (8-2) ½l 3rd to Bertie Wooster (8-2) at Ascot (6f hcap, £8,012, good to soft, July 22, 10 ran) with CARELESS WHISPER (7-10) 15l 10th.
ERWIN BACH (7-12) short head 2nd to Sleepy Mountain (9-7) at Epsom (5f hcap, £8,129, good, June 4, 12 ran) with IDRAK (8-7) unplaced.
GREEN DOLLAR (8-4) ½l 2nd to Lochtilium (8-2) at Bath (5f 167yd hcap, £3,262, good to soft, July 25, 11 ran) with APRIL FOOL (9-2) 4½l 6th.
Selection: GREEN DOLLAR

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**3.30 GEORGE ROBEY CHALLENGE TROPHY (Handicap: £3,121: 1m 2f) (7 runners)**

1 (7) 100534 RANA PRATAP 5 (D,F,G,S) (Royal Blue Racing) G Lewis 8-9-10 ..... G Starkey 97
3 (4) 232155 HIGH BAILIFF 19 (CD,F) (R Sangster) M Stoute 3-9-5 ..... B Raymond 93
4 (1) 030551 HOORAY LADY 2 (C,F,G) (BTRB Plc) G Balding 4-9-10 (5ex) ..... J Williams 95
5 (2) 60-0011 FLEET SPECIAL 20 (CD,F,G) (I Matthews) I Matthews 6-9-3 (5ex) ..... M Day 92l
8 (3) 00-0106 MAINWARING 24 (F) (Lord H de Walden) G Pritchard-Gordon 3-8-8 ..... P Cook 80
11 (6) 12-1230 WELSH PAGEANTRY 26 (D,F,G) (K Fischer) M Francis 5-8-3 ..... W Newnes ● 99
12 (5) 000132 CASTLE HEIGHTS 41 (F) (J Daniels) R Curtis 4-8-2 ..... S Whitworth 94

5-2 Hooray Lady, 7-2 Fleet Special, 9-2 Rana Pratap, 5-1 High Bailiff, 6-1 Castle Heights, 8-1 Welsh Pageantry, 12-1 Mainwaring.

1987: AFTERNOON WINNER 3-9-10 G Harwood (7-1) 10 ran

**FORM** RANA PRATAP (8-4) 2¾l 4th to Apache (8-6) at Goodwood (1m 2f hcap, £18,828, good to soft, July 30, 7 ran).
HIGH BAILIFF (9-7) 4l 5th to Propero (9-4) at Ayr (1m 2f hcap, £3,236, good to soft, July 16, 8 ran).
HOORAY LADY (9-10) beat Talk On Glory (8-11) 2½l at Brighton (1m hcap, £2,962, firm, Aug 2, 11 ran).
FLEET SPECIAL (9-10) beat Treyarnon (8-6) a short head at Hamilton (1m 40yd hcap, £2,776, good, July 15, 7 ran).
WELSH PAGEANTRY (8-6) best effort 2l 3rd to Young Jason (8-10) at Pontefract (1m hcap, £3,527, good to firm, June 21, 10 ran).
CASTLE HEIGHTS (9-2) 2½l 2nd to Valiant End (9-6) at Lingfield (1m 4f hcap, £2,359, good to firm, June 24, 10 ran).
Selection: RANA PRATAP

**4.0 CLIFTONVILLE MAIDEN STAKES (£959: 1m 4f) (8 runners)**

2 (5) COUNTRY DAMSEL 122J (R Barber) P Cole 4-9-4 ..... T Quinn —
3 (6) 066022 ENDLESS GOSSIP 97J (P Pollock) A Moore 4-9-4 ..... Candy Morris 50
5 (3) 0 SHIKABELL 66J (L Wadge) P Jones 4-9-4 ..... C McNamee —
7 (4) 000000 COMMUNIDATA LAD 21 (Communidata Ltd) R Curtis 3-8-9 ..... W Newnes —
8 (7) FROSTY RECEPTION (Sir T Pilkington) B Hanbury 3-8-9 ..... B Raymond —
10 (1) 2440 OLD KILPATRICK 22 (A Struthers) J Dunlop 3-8-9 ..... W Carson 89
12 (2) 00-02 ICECAPPED 35 (R Sangster) J Hills 3-8-6 ..... E Johnson ● 99
14 (8) 2-222 SKIARY 15 (BF) (J Richmond-Watson) G Harwood 3-8-6 ..... G Starkey 96

BETTING: 7-4 Skiary, 5-2 Icecapped, 4-1 Old Kilpatrick, 6-1 Frosty Reception, 8-1 Country Damsel, 25-1 others.

1987: RULING DYNASTY 8-8 G Starkey (5-1) G Harwood 8 ran

**FORM** COUNTRY DAMSEL by Town And Country out of a dam who won at 6f. Showed a little ability in juvenile hurdles last season.
ENDLESS GOSSIP (8-11) head 2nd to Henrietta Place (8-11) here (1m sell, £829, good, Sept 16, 10 ran).
FROSTY RECEPTION by What A Guest is a half-brother to winning sprinters Taustaff and Queens Bidder. His dam was a winner over 2m in Ireland.
OLD KILPATRICK (9-0) 7¾l 4th to Urizen (9-0) at Newbury (1m 5f 60yd mdn, £3,366, good to soft, June 9, 10 ran).
ICECAPPED (8-11) 4l 2nd to High And Bright (8-11) at Haydock (1m 2f mdn, £2,532, firm, June 30, 11 ran).
SKIARY (8-6) 5l 2nd to Crown Seal (8-8) at Catterick (1m 4f 40y mdn, £822, good, July 20, 9 ran).
Selection: SKIARY

**4.30 EDBURTON HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,019: 5f) (11 runners)**

1 (11) 051450 CHAIN SHOT 8 (B,CD,F,S) (M Simmonds) N Vigors 9-7 ..... P Cook 92
2 (6) 433341 AWA'WI'YE 10 (D,S) (Lord McAlpine) R Smyth 9-7 (7ex) ..... W Carson 91
4 (10) 0-02185 GRAND PRIX 14 (D,F) (Miss T Stone) R Akehurst 9-3 ..... G Starkey 95
5 (9) 355020 FLORENTYNNA BAY 8 (F) (D Adams) R Simpson 8-10 ..... J Reid 94
6 (2) 03-0252 TYLERS WOOD 45 (Mrs J Redmond) J Winter 8-10 ..... N Day 92
7 (5) 081235 P J KELLY 14 (B,D,S) (D Lang) D Lang 9-7 ..... T Williams 91
9 (8) 430-003 MISS WESLEY 20 (D,F) (P Pritchard) P Pritchard 8-6 ..... R Wernham 87
10 (1) 550643 SURREAL 19 (B) (Miss J Halford) K Brassey 8-1 ..... S Whitworth 95
11 (7) 000502 COUNT ME OUT 5 (Mrs K Sneath) R Hood 8-1 ..... E Johnson ● 99
12 (4) 00-0054 SCARNING GIZMO 9 (M Forbes) J Scallan 7-9 ..... P Barnard (5) 91
13 (3) 5000-00 PORTFIELD LADY 79 (T Mills) W Carter 7-7 ..... N Adams —

BETTING: 7-2 Awa'wi'ye, 9-2 Count Me Out, 11-2 Surreal, 7-1 Tylers Wood, 8-1 Chain Shot, 10-1 Grand Prix, 12-1 Florentynna Bay, Miss Wesley, 16-1 others.

1987: DEAR GLENDA 8-5 S Whitworth (5-1) M Pipe 11 ran

**FORM** FLORENTYNNA BAY (9-6) best effort ½l 2nd to Gallant Chariot (8-9) at Wolverhampton (5f hcap, £2,212, good to soft, July 18, 13 ran).
TYLERS WOOD (9-1) ½l 2nd to Aquarian Prince (8-13) here (6f hcap, £2,177, firm, June 20, 11 ran) with AWA'WI'YE (9-7) 1l away 3rd and SURREAL (8-11) 4l away 6th.
P J KELLY (8-13) best effort 5½l 3rd to Social Asset (8-3) at Bath (5f hcap, £2,452, soft, July 13, 8 ran).
MISS WESLEY (8-12) 1¼l 3rd to Small Fee (9-7) at Warwick (5f hcap, £1,691, soft, July 15, 7 ran).
SURREAL (8-11) 3½l 3rd to Peasemore (8-11) at Lingfield (5f mdn, £959, good, July 16, 10 ran).
COUNT ME OUT (8-1) short head 2nd to Loft Boy (8-11) at Windsor (5f hcap, £2,843, good, July 30, 19 ran).
Selection: FLORENTYNNA BAY

## Course specialists

| TRAINERS | Winners | Runners | Per cent |
|---|---|---|---|
| A Stewart | 12 | 27 | 44.4 |
| M Prescott | 3 | 7 | 42.9 |
| G Harwood | 22 | 65 | 33.8 |
| B Hanbury | 5 | 16 | 31.3 |
| M Stoute | 7 | 28 | 25.0 |
| P Haslam | 4 | 17 | 23.5 |

| JOCKEYS | Winners | Rides | Per cent |
|---|---|---|---|
| G Starkey | 26 | 109 | 25.7 |
| G Duffield | 6 | 34 | 17.6 |
| J Reid | 18 | 129 | 14.0 |
| W Carson | 15 | 119 | 12.6 |
| N Day | 4 | 32 | 12.5 |
| T Quinn | 13 | 116 | 11.2 |

## DEVON & EXETER

### Selections

By Mandarin

2.0 Star Of Kuwait. 2.30 Famous Lad. 3.0 Arbitrage. 3.30 Celcius. 4.0 Peche D'Or. 4.30 Royal Reply.

**Going: good to firm**

**2.0 TELEGRAPH HILL NOVICES HURDLE (£709: 2m 1f) (13 runners)**

1 DANGAN SHOON D Gandolfo 6-10-12 ..... S McNeill
2 P3-0 DUNARUNNA 5 B Forsey 7-10-12 ..... C Llewellyn
3 P42- ROYAL GURKHA 72 R Frost 8-10-12 ..... J Frost
4 00-0 ROY PRINCE 3 W Clay 5-10-12 ..... Diane Clay (7)
5 SOURCE OF MAGIC 449 T Muggeridge 6-10-12 ..... C Warren
7 0P0- DIXONSPREMIERHOMES 94 C Tinetine 4-10-9 J Shortt
8 PASSIFYOUCAN L Wareing 4-10-9 ..... G Knight
9 SPRING PLAY T Muggeridge 4-10-9. M Muggeridge (7)
11 FLIRTINO T Hallett 7-10-7 ..... P Richards
12 LAVAIR 854 J Sheers 6-10-7 ..... R Dennis
13 DARLIN' AGAIN H Manners 4-10-4 ..... —
14 6- JULIONISSI 75 P Hobbs 4-10-4 ..... Peter Hobbs
15 F42- STAR OF KUWAIT 141 M Pipe 4-10-4 ..... P Scudamore

5-4 Star Of Kuwait, 3-1 Royal Gurkha, 4-1 Dunarunna, 8-1 Julionissi, 12-1 Dangan Shoon, 16-1 Flirtino, 20-1 others.

**2.30 JOHN LUMLEY MEMORIAL CUP (Novices hurdle: £749: 2m 5f) (8)**

2 5-04 BOLD ANSWER 1 W Clay 5-10-12 ..... Diane Clay (7)
3 222- CAN'T DISCLOSE 61 (V) S Dow 7-10-12 ..... R Guest
5 383- CROOK N HONEST 117 P Hobbs 5-10-12. Peter Hobbs
7 530- EAGLE TAVERN 66 (F) R Manning 9-10-12 ..... G Morgan (7)
8 003- FAMOUS LAD 12F R Lee 5-10-12 ..... B Dowling
9 060/ GRAND CELEBRATION 42F D Jermy 6-10-12 ..... M Williams
10 00-0 JOE FLASH 3 F Gorman 9-10-12 ..... P Johnson (7)
16 40- MR MAJINTY 216 T Greathead 4-10-9 ..... S Cusack (7)

2-1 Famous Lad, 5-2 Can't Disclose, 7-2 Crook N Honest, 6-1 Mr Majinty, 8-1 Bold Answer, 12-1 others.

**3.0 PARKIN MEMORIAL CUP (Novices chase: £1,882: 2m 1f) (9)**

1 00-1 STORMGUARD 5 W Clay 5-11-1 ..... J Doyle
2 1F-3 ARBITRAGE 5 (G,S) B Forsey 7-11-0 ..... P Croucher
3 600/ COPGROVE 454 P Hobbs 6-11-0 ..... Peter Hobbs
4 652- GODFATHER'S GIFT 66 (F) G Ham 6-11-0 ..... B Powell
5 220- ROONERS 61 (F) W G Turner 8-11-0 ..... W Irvine (4)
6 63P- SHOUT 66 (F,G) Miss S Wilton 8-11-0 ..... G McCourt
8 6PP- KUWAIT STAR 66 N Thomson 5-10-11 ..... D Morris
9 332- PELLS CLOSE 23F (S) S Dow 5-10-11 ..... R Guest
11 33S- LYSITHEA 29F W G Turner 7-10-9 ..... H Davies

3-1 Arbitrage, 7-2 Stormguard, 4-1 Pells Close, 6-1 Rooners, 7-1 Godfathers Gift, 8-1 Shout, 12-1 others.

**3.30 MILLBROOK NOVICES HURDLE (£768: 2m 1f) (9)**

1 063- ANDROMAHOS 12F B Stevens 6-10-12 ..... D Tegg
2 PF- FLOATING MARINER 91 D Roderick 6-10-12 M Williams
3 04-1 CELCIUS 1 (B,CD,F) M Pipe 4-10-13 ..... P Scudamore
5 00-0 JOEY BLACK 5 P Blockley 4-10-9 ..... R Crank
9 03-6 ANNABEN 5 W G Turner 5-10-7 ..... H Davies
10 JOLLY LASS H Manners 5-10-7 ..... —
12 0-20 SOLSTICE BELL 3 (B) R Voorspuy 6-10-7 ... M Furlong
15 F4P- LUDLOW LADY 243 R Hodges 4-10-4 ..... B Powell
16 MINOBEE 31F J Bridger 4-10-4 ..... R Goldstein

4-5 Celcius, 9-2 Annaben, 6-1 Solstice Bell, 10-1 Minobee, 12-1 Ludlow Lady, 14-1 Andromahos, 16-1 others.

**4.0 RUTH BAKER MEMORIAL HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,590: 2m 1f) (10)**

2 221- MILFORD QUAY 26F (CD,G,S) J Spearing 5-11-10 ..... A Webb
4 1P3- MURAJAH 76 (B,D,F,S) K Bailey 4-11-5 ..... P Croucher
5 133- BROWN BEAR BOY 66 (F) Miss S Wilton 6-11-4 ..... G McCourt
6 225- SMILING BEAR 17F (D,F) M Chapman 5-11-4 S J O'Neill
7 000- ARGES 14F (S) C Popham 7-11-3 ..... B Powell
9 FP6- BRENT RIVERSIDE 90 (F,S) G Balding 5-10-12 R Guest
12 12-0 LAHARNA GIRL 3 (B,CD,F,S) P Blockley 4-10-3 R Crank
13 50-1 PECHE D'OR 5 (S) P Cundell 4-10-2 (4ex) ... M Williams
15 P23- MAEN DIPPA 70 (S) W Fisher 11-10-0 ..... D Tegg
16 PP0- BALLYGLUNIN 5F (S,D,F) A Denson 8-10-0 ..... P Dever

11-4 Peche d'Or, 7-2 Murajah, 6-1 Smiling Bear, 8-1 Milford Quay, Brown Bear Boy, 10-1 Laharna Girl, 12-1 others.

**4.30 VISCOUNTESS PETERSHAM TROPHY (Handicap chase: £2,322: 3m 1f) (8)**

1 1P1- CELTIC FLEET 65 (F,G,S) J Spearing 7-11-10 ..... P Scudamore
2 5P-1 ROYAL REPLY 5 (F,G) A Denson 8-11-4 (4ex) ..... Penny Flitch-Heyes
3 301- VICK THE BUSKER 61 (F) M McCourt 11-11-3 ..... G McCourt
6 12P- JIMMY MIFF 66 (CD,F,G,S) I Wardle 10-10-9 M Williams
7 14-F SCOTS LAD 5 (F) D Jermy 7-10-7 ..... R Stronge
8 053- CITADEL ROC 70 (B,CD,F,S) J Bradley 13-10-6 ..... G Davies
9 6P1- GREY TARQUIN 70 (D,F) J Bridger 15-10-6 .. M Furlong
10 P31- PURSTON STAR 70 (F) Mrs A Knight 8-10-5 .. G Knight

7-2 Royal Reply, 9-2 Celtic Fleet, 11-2 Scots Lad, 6-1 Grey Tarquin, 7-1 Vick The Busker, 8-1 Citadel Roc, 12-1 others.

## Course specialists

TRAINERS: R Lee, 3 winners from 8 runners, 37.5%; J Spearing, 7 from 24, 29.2%; M Pipe, 39 from 188, 20.7%; P Hobbs, 11 from 57, 19.3%; J Bradley, 6 from 39, 15.4%; G Balding, 8 from 58, 13.8%.

JOCKEYS: P Scudamore, 21 winners from 99 rides, 21.2%; R Guest, 5 from 30, 16.7%; A Webb, 6 from 37, 16.2%; G Davies, 5 from 32, 15.6%; B Powell, 26 from 167, 15.6%; P Richards, 8 from 59, 13.6%.

## Results from yesterday's four meetings

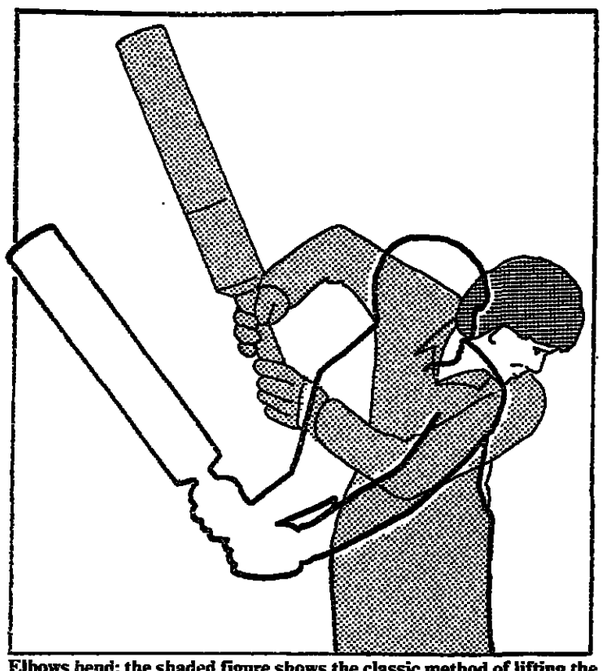
### Brighton

**Going:** firm

2.0 (7f) 1. GYPSY'S BARN RAT (P Barnard, 13-2); 2. Jamaas De Coombe (Pat Eddery, 7-1); 3. Miscellany (N Day, 14-1); 4. Chic Antique (T Quinn, 9-2 fav). ALSO RAN: 5 Sea Crossing, 12 Bee Kay Ess, Lady Homily, On Impulse, 14 Nationcrest (6th), Space Lab, 16 Bay Wolf Tiger, Rainbow Acres, 33 Little Lochette, 50 Free Statement, Maureen's Cavalier, Four Crown (5th), Chief Runner, El Delgado. 18 ran. Nk, ¾l, 1l, 1l, nk. W Holden at Newmarket. Tote: £7.80; £2.00. £1.80, £4.20, £2.00. DF: £41.70. CSF: £48.55. Tric

CRICKET: A BASIC FAULT IN BATTING TECHNIQUE SEEMS TO BE ALLOWED IN THE COACHING GIVEN TO ENGLAND'S YOUNG CRICKETERS

# Tried and tested method is still the best



Elbows bend: the shaded figure shows the classic method of lifting the bat at the start of a stroke. The white figure, with straight arms, has adopted a style which will offend the purists

By Michael Stevenson

Watching England struggle this season against West Indies, I could not help being struck by the fact that there are very marked differences among the acknowledged batsmen with regard to the way they pick up the bat. Chris Broad, is perhaps the most unorthodox.

He picks up with the face of the bat shut, that is, facing downwards, while the more usual cocking of the wrists makes the bat face point. He does, however, make a further movement before the ball is delivered, bending his right arm (as a left-handed batsman) virtually into a right angle and it is this position which is the only common denominator that I could find among England's early batsmen.

The right-handed batsman's left arm and the left-handed batsman's right arm must become a right angle or close to it, so that its power can be unleashed into the shot. The marked variations in technique of pick-up prompted me to question the value of rigid, standardized coaching in this and other departments, when Gooch and Gatting do it so differently.

Peter Sutcliffe, formerly director of coaching and senior national coach to the National Cricket Association (NCA), has no doubts on the subject: "Up to the age of 12 or 13, coaching should be standardized as much as possible; then let young players adapt and develop more individually.

Over one specific point of technique the NCA seems to be falling into a crucial error. This point is basic to good batting. The right arm should be bent to (or almost to) a right angle but it is something very different that is being taught as standardized practice. In the backlift, the movement of the bat back towards the wicketkeeper is stressed. The hands, they say, should be high and the right elbow, fairly high.

This method is taught to coaches at Lilleshall, where the NCA holds its courses, and it is taught to the young people in their charge. It may seem like nit-picking but it is, to change games briefly, as if the PGA had sent out a directive to golf professionals to teach pupils to adopt an early break in the left arm on the way back, a method that may suit some golfers but is totally foreign to, and destructive of, most golf swings.

If the batsman's left arm is virtually straight at the top of his backlift then this is a position which is surely detrimental to good batting. But it is tolerated if not actually taught. Something is rotten in the State of Denmark or Lilleshall.

The backdrop against which this problem should be studied is complex. The prevalence of indifferent pitches and a multiplicity of negative, medium-paced seamers in the late fifties and sixties, bred a generation of English batsmen who hardly picked up their bats at all but nudged, adjusted, prodded and collected from the blockhole.

Then came Greig, Brearley and company with bat held aloft long before the bowler delivered. Now Gooch employs a largely similar method, body upright and bat held high but, like Broad, his left arm, just before he plays a shot, is bent into a right angle. Clearly and crucially, this is why he hits the ball, like Hick, so hard.

The point is so basic that many fine batsmen prefer to talk about "pick-up" rather than "backlift". As the hands lift the bat, upwards and not back towards the wicketkeeper, the wrists pronate so that it faces point, ending fairly close to the right shoulder.

Peter Sutcliffe again: "When you want to jump, your bent legs must provide the power. If they are straight there is no power. At the top of the backlift, the batsman's left arm must be well bent."

The great Peter May, who picked up his bat towards second slip, then looped it round to make it come down the side of his body, as straight as a plumb line, is also well worth heeding on the subject: "I think the most important thing about backlift is not how the bat goes up but how it comes down."

Ted Dexter said that anything approaching a straight left arm was anathema to fluent batting, adding: "My two points over pick-up are that the wrists should cock and the bat face out towards point and that the toe of the bat, at the very least, gets higher than the hands. I don't personally like the high, early backlift, especially with the modern, heavy bat. It is very difficult to cope with fast, short bowling with this method.

"I was fascinated to watch a video of Sobers playing Lillee at Melbourne, in what Bradman described as 'the greatest innings ever played'. As Lillee delivered the ball, Sobers was tapping his bat in the blockhole but as the ball was well on its way, Sobers would pick up his bat almost to head height."

The more one sees fine players succeed and not-so-fine players struggle, the more one is convinced that the essentials of batting do not alter. It would be sad if young batsmen were being encouraged towards, or at best, not being corrected from, a considerable fault.

## History holds out hope for England

By Simon Wilde

**Although Viv Richards, the West Indies captain, has promised no let-up during the final Test at the Oval, there are a few encouraging signs for England in a situation which is hardly new to them.**

**The last six times they have played West Indies in a Test there, they have gone into the game either behind in the series or with a series already lost (as they do now), only to regularly come out of it having gained some consolation, albeit often small.**

**In 1984, England bowled West Indies out on the first day for 190, the lowest total of the series, while in 1980 they themselves scored 370 before making their opponents struggle to avoid the follow-on. In 1976, Amiss, with a remodelled technique, scored 203 out of England's 435, their highest total of the series; in 1973, Frank Hayes made a century on his Test debut.**

**The fact West Indies comfortably won three of these matches and almost won the fourth illustrates that the gap between the sides has been a large one for a long time. Twelve years ago, on a parched ground, towards the end of a long hot summer, West Indies made 869 for eight in the match (Richards 291, the highest individual score between the countries in England) and Holding took 14 wickets for 149.**

**There are distinct similarities between today's match and the corresponding one 22 years ago. England are once more 3-0 down in the series, go into the match with a new captain (Gooch now, Close then) and a side showing several changes (perhaps as many as five now, six then). But if the present team can emulate their predecessors, they will be only too pleased.**

**In 1966, England trailed by 102 runs with seven men out before their last three first innings wickets realised an unprecedented 361 runs, enabling them to win by an innings. Graveney scored 165, having nine years earlier in the same fixture hit 164.**

**In all, England have won four of these games (all by an innings), West Indies five (the narrowest by 158 runs).**

# Northamptonshire pair answer with gusto

By Ivo Tennant

*NORTHAMPTON (Northamptonshire won toss): Essex, with six first-innings wickets in hand, are 235 runs behind Northamptonshire*

Richard Williams hardly ever gets to bat high in the order, and Mark Gouldstone is given only the occasional game. Yet yesterday, when the cream of Northamptonshire's batting was required by England, they were ready for the call. The former made his first century of the season, the latter the highest score of his career.

It was only the other day that the chairman of Test selectors was mentioning Williams. This was not because he was seen as a future Test player. He was held up as an example of a cricketer whose game has been affected by his county possessing too many overseas players.

A more plausible explanation might be that Northamptonshire have simply too strong and settled a batting order. In the 14 years since he made his debut, Williams can rarely have batted as high as No. 4, occasioned because Lamb, Bailey, and Capel were wanted by England. Gouldstone is another who clearly would have had more opportunities at another county.

Not that Northamptonshire's regular batsmen are having an especially good season. Larkins, in particular, has had a wretched time trying to cope with the vagaries of poor pitches. He was out now playing neither forward nor back to Lever. Fordham and Geoff Cook were unable to fend off lifting balls from Topley.

That was 37 for three, and had Ilott, aged 17, a medium pacer, making his championship debut, been given a third slip, Williams would have hardly troubled the scorers. He proceeded to play as he can rarely have played before, making light of some uneven bounce.

He added 80 with Wild, whose share was just 14, and reached his 100 in just over two hours. By now he was accompanied by a runner, owing to damaged knee ligaments. Gouldstone, who has made just three championship appearances in four years, and played only because Stanley was taken ill, drove pleasantly. He was hardly troubled by what, inevitably, was not an exceptional attack.

Essex, of course, also have players on Test duty yet Fletcher made the most of what he had. Miller took four wickets in the afternoon, having Williams caught at short leg and beating Gouldstone in the flight.

Northamptonshire were all out for 283. Then Essex also collapsed, losing Stephenson, Lilley, East, and Topley in quick succession. Walker removed three of them through the virtue of keeping the ball well up.

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings**

| | |
|---|---|
| *G Cook c East b Topley | 1 |
| W Larkins lbw b Lever | 10 |
| A Fordham c Fletcher b Topley | 1 |
| R G Williams c Lilley b Miller | 119 |
| D J Wild b Lever | 14 |
| M R Gouldstone b Miller | 71 |
| †D Ripley b Miller | 8 |
| N G B Cook lbw b Topley | 0 |
| W W Davis c East b Lever | 18 |
| A Walker b Miller | 6 |
| M A Robinson not out | 0 |
| Extras (b 2, lb 12, nb 4) | 18 |
| Total (94.4 overs) | 283 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-15, 2-22, 3-37, 4-117, 5-227, 6-256, 7-257, 8-261, 9-283.
BOWLING: Lever 21.4-3-50-3; Topley 32-6-100-3; Ilott 15-1-48-0; Miller 19-7-36-4; Stephenson 7-1-25-0.

**ESSEX: First Innings**

| | |
|---|---|
| †D E East c Fordham b Walker | 17 |
| J P Stephenson lbw b Davis | 5 |
| A W Lilley lbw b Walker | 4 |
| A R Border not out | 12 |
| T D Topley lbw b Walker | 2 |
| P J Prichard not out | 0 |
| Extras (w 1, nb 7) | 8 |
| Total (4 wkts, 12 overs) | 48 |

N Hussain, *K W R Fletcher, G Miller, J K Lever and M C Ilott to bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-22, 3-37, 4-48.
Bonus points: Northamptonshire 4, Essex 4.
Umpires: B Leadbeater and A G T Whitehead.

# Pienaar strikes sparkling form

By Richard Streeton

*CANTERBURY (Kent won toss): Kent have scored 318 for eight wickets against Leicestershire*

Roy Pienaar, the South African all-rounder, who was awarded his county cap at the weekend, made a sparkling 128 yesterday to ensure that Kent, the championship leaders, gained maximum batting points. Agnew, the Leicestershire fast bowler, staked a further claim for a winter tour place with England by taking five for 59.

Few settings match the St. Lawrence ground during Canterbury Week and for once this season there was the rarity of warm sunshine for most of the day. The cricket was keenly competitive and mercifully free from incident or rancour. A large crowd clearly revelled in a blissful occasion.

Kent's frailties have been exposed in their last two championship matches in which a draw and a heavy defeat yielded just six points. It is important for them, therefore, to do well in this match to maintain their lead in the table and Pienaar's splendid batting was timely.

Pienaar has advanced rapidly this summer in every department. His footwork and stroke play in this innings were worthy of any of his predecessors as Kent No. 3 in recent years. Pienaar was never allowed to cut loose completely, but he drove especially strongly and left more than one fieldsman wringing his hands.

The grapevine has it that this pitch will take spin as the match progresses, and Willey and Such, until he limped off with a foot injury, both found some assistance as soon as they bowled. It was harder work for the quick men, although Agnew rose above a slow pitch and was always economical.

Agnew brought Leicestershire an early success when he had Taylor, half forward, leg-before for the third time in successive innings. After this Pienaar dominated the bowlers with his quality brand of crisp strokes, all perfectly timed and played with complete certainty.

Benson stayed with the South African until immediately after lunch, when he edged Ferris to second slip. Tavaré, the acting captain, then helped increase the run rate as 104 came for the third wicket in 26 overs. Pienaar, on 99, had already played through a maiden from Agnew and still had not reached his hundred as Agnew dismissed Tavaré and Ward in his next over.

Pienaar duly reached his century and had batted four hours and hit 15 fours when, at 262, he was beaten through the air as he moved out against Willey. Cowdrey was bowled off his pads by Taylor and Kent finally reached 300 rather laboriously as Agnew took two more wickets.

**KENT: First Innings**

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|---|---|
| M R Benson c Benson b Ferris | 42 |
| N R Taylor lbw b Agnew | 13 |
| R F Pienaar st Whitticase b Willey | 128 |
| *C J Tavaré b Agnew | 3 |
| T R Ward b Agnew | 0 |
| G R Cowdrey b Taylor | 32 |
| †S A Marsh not out | 25 |
| R M Ellison lbw b Agnew | 19 |
| C Penn lbw b Agnew | 1 |
| M D Harman not out | 2 |
| Extras (b 2, lb 8, nb 8) | 18 |
| Total (8 wkts) | 318 |

R P Davis to bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-31, 2-102, 3-202, 4-206, 5-252, 6-272, 7-299, 8-301.
Score after 100 overs: 303 for 8.
LEICESTERSHIRE: N E Briers, T J Boon, P Willey, *D I Gower, J J Whitaker, L Potter, †P Whitticase, J P Agnew, P M Such, L B Taylor and G J F Ferris.
Bonus points: Kent 4, Leicestershire 3.
Umpires: J Birkenshaw and R Julian.

# Aspinall wrests initiative

By Cathy Harris

The expected close contest between Middlesex and Yorkshire to decide a place in the final of the women's county championship failed to materialize in a disappointing match as Yorkshire easily qualified to meet Surrey on August 21 when they beat Middlesex by five wickets in Cambridge yesterday.

Aspinall, the England pace bowler, did most of the early damage for Yorkshire, dismissing the opening batsmen and then capturing the prize wicket of Court to send Middlesex reeling at 19 for three.

Heggs temporarily halted the collapse when she scored a defiant 46 and shared in the fourth-wicket partnership of 33 with Tobin. But when Heggs was out playing a tired shot into the covers just after lunch, Middlesex were always going to struggle and limped to a total of 116 in their 55 overs.

Surrey secured their place in the final when they easily beat Sussex in the other group match yesterday. They are coached by Anne Gordon, the former Australian captain now living in England, and who attributed her side's success to consistent team performances and positive captaincy by Lovell.

**RESULTS (all matches 55 overs): Middlesex 116 (R Heggs 46, J Aspinall 4-16); Yorkshire 117-5 (J Powell 42, H Pammer 30, 41.4 overs); Sussex 96 (V Oliver 36, J Brittin 3-7, S Robinson 4-21, 52.1 overs); Surrey 97-1 (C Barrs 52 not out, P Lovell 36 not out, 13 overs); Kent 152-8 (A Stuart 44, L Peters 4-37), Lancashire and Cheshire 143-8 (M Maralee 3-30), Thames Valley 149 (J Siderfin 63, K Wayland 4-28, 49 overs); East Anglia 152-9 (H Chard 60, J Read 3-30, 54.4 overs).**

## Twins in action

Carole and Sarah Hunt, twins from Morton, in Derbyshire, will be in opposition at the ASA long-distance swimming championships in Nottingham on Saturday.



High flier: Williams makes most of his move up the batting

# The sparks fly at Cheltenham

By Jack Bailey

*CHELTENHAM: Gloucestershire have scored 325 for five against Warwickshire*

Even though there are, these days, almost as many sponsored tents as paying customers, the Cheltenham festival retains its charm. The ground was abuzz with talk of the exciting finish against Surrey, the sun shone and Gloucestershire did quite enough, after Warwickshire had asked them to bat, to keep the faithful coming back for more.

The pitch was neither as well-grassed nor as lively as for the Surrey match and spin might well yet play a part. But there was enough bounce for Merrick to have everyone weaving and ducking when he was not being crashed to the boundary. Gloucestershire, largely in the shape of Bainbridge, undefeated on 109 and Romaines (99) built surely on the electrifying start provided by Stovold.

Stovold is always worth watching, although sometimes you have to be quick to see him. On this occasion, he took all the initial steam from Warwickshire's new ball attack. Mainly by firm driving in front of the wicket he left Wright a sturdy but almost passively admiring partner.

Wright was out for nine, mistiming a pull off Reeve (who hereabouts, and indeed throughout the day, looked and was the most likely bowler to succeed) by which time 42 was on the board. When he became Reeve's second victim, Stovold had made 52 out of 69 from 66 balls and had hit nine heart-warming fours.

Romaines and, later, Bainbridge could not hope to compete with this sort of firework display, nor did they attempt it. Instead, they both played sensibly, taking advantage of the continually attacking fields set to Warwickshire's almost exclusively seam attack and piercing the gaps frequently enough to keep the scoreboard clicking.

There was more than a touch of *déjà vu* about the fate of Romaines. He had seemed even more than normally anxious to take two from the stroke that took him from 98, instead of the single which was actually achieved. Doubtless, his 99 against Leicestershire at the Cheltenham festival last year was preying on his mind. Anyhow, as carefully as he played, he was cruelly treated once again. In digging out a near-yorker from Reeve he failed to propel the ball forward. It bounced high as it spun backwards, but only as far as the top of the stump; and the end of a valuable innings was at hand.

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings**

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|---|---|
| A W Stovold c Thorne b Reeve | 52 |
| A J Wright c Munton b Reeve | 9 |
| P W Romaines b Reeve | 99 |
| P Bainbridge not out | 109 |
| M W Allsyne c Reeve b Parsons | 15 |
| K M Curran c Humpage b Reeve | 5 |
| M W Pooley not out | 10 |
| Extras (b 4, lb 16, w 2, nb 4) | 26 |
| Total (5 wkts) | 325 |

†R C Russell, *D A Graveney, D V Lawrence and T M Alderman to bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-69, 3-229, 4-256, 5-279.
Score after 100 overs: 305 for 5.
WARWICKSHIRE: *T A Lloyd, A J Moles, Asif Din, D Banks, D A Thorne, †G W Humpage, D A Reeve, P A Smith, A J Merrick, T A Munton, G J Parsons.
Bonus points: Gloucestershire 4, Warwickshire 2.
Umpires: D J Constant and B Meyer.

# Jarvis to undergo an exploratory operation

Paul Jarvis, the Yorkshire fast bowler, is to have an exploratory operation later this month to determine the nature of the back injury that has kept him out for more than a month.

The player, aged 23, has consulted two specialists about the injury, which is thought to be an inflamed joint, but he has not yet written-off this season.

"I hope to be back for Yorkshire for the last three weeks of the championship season and I would like to think that I will be in the reckoning for a place on England's tour to India," he said. "This does not start until December and the schedule is not as demanding as last year."

## Fulham signings

Fulham Rugby League Club has agreed terms with the Australian players, Ernie Garland, aged 23, and Brian Brown, 21. Both play for the Western Suburb club in the Sydney League

## YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS

### Somerset v Surrey

*WESTON-SUPER-MARE (Surrey won toss): Somerset, with three first-innings wickets in hand, are 29 runs behind Surrey*

**SURREY: First Innings**

| | |
|---|---|
| G S Clinton c and b Trump | 1 |
| P D Atkins lbw b Mallender | 10 |
| †A J Stewart c Burns b Mallender | 0 |
| D M Ward c and b Trump | 17 |
| Zahid Sadiq c Hardy b Jones | 37 |
| K T Medlycott lbw b Jones | 0 |
| *I A Greig b Marks | 20 |
| M A Feltham lbw b Mallender | 18 |
| C K Bullen lbw b Mallender | 10 |
| N H Peters not out | 8 |
| M P Bicknell b Trump | 5 |
| Extras (lb 2, nb 5) | 7 |
| Total | 148 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-20, 2-20, 3-40, 4-53, 5-98, 6-98, 7-112, 8-126, 9-135.
BOWLING: Jones 11-2-36-2; Mallender 19-6-22-4; Marks 16-4-32-1; Trump 19.1-7-32-3; Foster 5-0-24-0.

**SOMERSET: First Innings**

| | |
|---|---|
| J J E Hardy b Greig | 23 |
| *P M Roebuck lbw b Greig | 10 |
| N J Pringle lbw b Greig | 9 |
| S R Waugh b Feltham | 31 |
| R J Bartlett c Bullen b Medlycott | 25 |
| †N D Burns not out | 8 |
| V J Marks c Feltham b Medlycott | 0 |
| H R J Trump c Ward b Medlycott | 4 |
| Extras (b 3, lb 6) | 9 |
| Total (7 wkts, 39 overs) | 119 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-32, 2-45, 3-52, 4-107, 5-107, 6-111, 7-119.
N A Mallender, A N Jones and D J Foster to bat.
Bonus points: Somerset 4, Surrey 3.
Umpires: J C Balderstone and R A White.

### Sussex v Hants

*EASTBOURNE (Sussex won toss): Hampshire, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 271 runs behind Sussex*

**SUSSEX: First Innings**

| | |
|---|---|
| N J Lenham c Scott b Jeffenes | 24 |
| N J Fatkner b Bakker | 10 |
| *P W G Parker c Scott b Ayling | 45 |
| A P Wells c Terry b Ayling | 56 |
| I J Gould c Parks b Jeffenes | 5 |
| C M Wells lbw b Jeffenes | 11 |
| A C S Pigott c Parks b Ayling | 16 |
| †P Moores c Parks b Bakker | 15 |
| A R Clarke c James b Ayling | 68 |
| R A Bunning c and b Maru | 5 |
| A M Babington not out | 0 |
| Extras (b 5, lb 10, w 1, nb 8) | 24 |
| Total | 279 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-28, 2-82, 3-97, 4-113, 5-129, 6-179, 7-188, 8-229, 9-266.
BOWLING: Jeffenes 30-4-79-3; Bakker 26-8-70-2; James 11-4-36-0; Ayling 22.3-4-57-4; Maru 14-8-22-1.
Score after 100 overs: 267 for 9.

**HAMPSHIRE: First Innings**

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|---|---|
| R J Scott not out | 3 |
| C L Smith not out | 5 |
| Total (no wkt, 3 overs) | 8 |

*M G J Nicholas, V P Terry, D R Turner, J Ayling, K D James, S T Jefferies, †R J Parks, R J Maru and P J Bakker to bat.
Bonus points: Sussex 3, Hampshire 4.
Umpires: D G L Evans and D O Oslear.

### Second XI championship

**ROMFORD:** Sussex 259 (P Richardson 71, A K Golding 5 for 66, A van Lmt 4 for 57); Essex 90 for 3.
**LEICESTER:** Warwickshire 291 for 9 dec (T Parton 54, K Piper 51; C Newton 4 for 69); Leicester 10 for 1.
**SOUTHAMPTON:** Hampshire 264 for 7 dec (J Wood 62, M O'Connor 47); Kent 9 for 0.
**TAUNTON:** Gloucestershire 270 (O C K Smith 88, J W Lloyds 61); Somerset 42 for 1.
**HARROW:** Middlesex 400 for 6 (M A Roseberry 215 not out) v Northamptonshire.
**OLD TRAFFORD:** Lancashire 369 for 9 dec (M A Atherton 118, J D Fitton 111, D J Makinson 55, I D Austin 50); Surrey 5 for no wkt.

### Minor counties

**CARDIFF:** Cheshire 122 for 6 dec (G P Ellis 4 for 52) and 249 for 5 dec (I Cockbain 118 not out, N T O Brien 61); Wales Minor Counties 124 for 5 dec and 169 (S Dyson 5 for 42). Cheshire won by 78 runs.
**MILDENHALL:** Durham 188 for 4 dec and 258 for 6 dec (G K Brown 114, P Burn 58); Suffolk 199 for 6 dec and 248 for 8 (C Gladwin 76, P J Caley 63). Suffolk won by two wickets.

# Love and Robinson hold fort

By Martin Searby

*SHEFFIELD (Yorkshire won toss): Yorkshire have scored 182 for five against Nottinghamshire*

Yorkshire performed rather better than one might have expected against the country's leading seam attack on a damp pitch at Abbeydale Park, where, despite a sunny morning, 40 overs were lost because of an overnight deluge.

The decision to bat first was probably based upon the premise that Stephenson and Cooper would have their effectiveness reduced by the very wet run-ups which would have prevented the 2 p.m. start had the captains, Carrick and Robinson, not commendably agreed to get on with the game.

The light, however, was not good and there were ill-conceived jeers when Moxon and Metcalfe went off after 10 overs, but the delay cut only a further five overs from the day. Moxon fell in the twelfth over to a batpad catch by Randall at short leg, who could have given Stephenson, the man with the golden arm with 88 wickets already, the wicket of Metcalfe in the next over in the same position.

He was replaced under the helmet by Johnson, who held an easier chance to remove Blakey and take Cooper to 82 wickets before Hemmings, the off-spinner, replaced him with immediate success. His first delivery spun back from Metcalfe's defensive shot to trickle on to the stumps and the worst fears of the Yorkshire batting might well have been confirmed had not Love seized the initiative with a splendid attacking innings.

There are few finer sights than Love on form and in full flight and he is now averaging more than 53 since an early loss of form led to his omission in June. His third successive half-century contained powerful drives and exquisitely-timed cuts, judiciously played, as the fourth wicket added 79 in 24 overs. Love striking seven boundaries from 94 balls before he drove to cover.

With the ball consistently moving about on a pitch which at least had the merit of some bounce, Robinson played particularly well to reach an unbeaten 53 although Bairstow, who has been out of touch, impatiently succumbed with a drive to mid-on.

**YORKSHIRE: First Innings**

| | |
|---|---|
| M D Moxon c Randall b Cooper | 12 |
| A A Metcalfe b Hemmings | 27 |
| R J Blakey c Johnson b Cooper | 5 |
| J D Love c Randall b Mullins | 69 |
| P E Robinson not out | 53 |
| †D L Bairstow c Cooper b Hemmings | 4 |
| *P Carrick not out | 8 |
| Extras (lb 3, nb 1) | 4 |
| Total (5 wkts, 66 overs) | 182 |

I G Swallow, P J Hartley, S D Fletcher and C Shaw to bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-37, 3-64, 4-143, 5-183.
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: B C Broad, *R T Robinson, P Johnson, D J R Martindale, D W Randall, F D Stephenson, †C W Scott, J D Birch, E E Hemmings, K E Cooper, D Mullins.
Bonus points: Yorkshire 1, Nottinghamshire 2.
Umpires: D R Shepherd and A A Jones.

# Somerset continue their run

By Geoffrey Wheeler

Surrey yesterday became the latest county to feel the strength of Somerset's bowling power when they were dismissed for 148 on the first day of the Weston-super-Mare Festival.

Fresh from humiliating the county championship leaders, Kent, in their own Canterbury stronghold Somerset rushed out Surrey before the tea interval to continue a notable sequence.

In their previous three games Somerset had dismissed Gloucestershire for 168 and 119; Nottinghamshire for 211 and 103 and Kent for 121 and 185 — a far cry from early May when many of the same bowlers were cannon fodder for Graeme Hick in his record-breaking innings of 405 at Taunton.

Their teenage off-spinner, Harvey Trump, who was spared that experience, captured another three wickets yesterday while the in-form Neil Mallender contributed a fine opening spell and took four for 22. He has captured 21 wickets for 177 runs in the last seven innings.

Surrey hit back hard in the final session with Greig having a spell of three for six in 25 balls. Waugh and Bartlett added 55 in 14 overs before Medlycott began another collapse and Somerset finished at 119 for seven — 17 wickets in the day for 267 runs.

Batsmen had rather an easier time of it at Eastbourne where Alan Wells's seventh half-century of the season and a career-best 68 from Andy Clarke, the leg spinner, enabled Sussex to reach 279 against Hampshire, whose young opening batsman Richard Scott ended a run of three successive noughts by making three not out when Hampshire replied with eight without loss.

# The learning process

Schools review by George Chesterton

Six English teams fly to Barbados tomorrow to take part in the Sir Garfield Sobers international schools Festival. They will face formidable opposition from seven West Indian Schools, including Combermere, last year's winners.

**Bradfield** have prepared themselves well, with nine victories in the term. Oscroft, their captain, has had a good season as an all-rounder. Perry has made over 600 runs and Pearce, a left-arm bowler, has been amongst the wickets.

**The Leys, Sherborne** and **Tonbridge** will present good batting sides, but their bowling may lack penetration. Barker, the Leys captain, and Soloman, their wicketkeeper, have scored well, and they will be looking to Laukester, a promising leg spinner, and Kinnear, aged 15, for wickets.

Tonbridge had mixed success in the term, beating Lancing and Charterhouse. Gill, their highest scoring bat, is unable to make the trip, but Penfold and Hollins should make runs.

**Bradford GS** have considerable strength in depth and have won 12 matches this year. Webster, who plays for Yorkshire under-19s, and Chadwick should do well with the bat and Kitchen with the new ball. **Shrewsbury** will be relying on young players, the most promising of whom are Bowett and Lightning.

## FIRST-CLASS AVERAGES THIS SEASON

### England — batting and fielding

| | M | I | NO | Runs | HS | 100 | 50 | Avge | Ct/St |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| G A Gooch | 13 | 23 | 1 | 1482 | 275 | 4 | 9 | 67.36 | 16 |
| C J Richards | 13 | 16 | 3 | 587 | 102* | 1 | 4 | 45.15 | 35/1 |
| M P Maynard | 15 | 27 | 4 | 989 | 126 | 2 | 7 | 43.00 | 14 |
| T S Curtis | 16 | 27 | 3 | 1013 | 131 | 2 | 5 | 42.20 | 15 |
| D J Capel | 15 | 25 | 4 | 838 | 92 | — | 6 | 39.90 | 3 |
| R J Bailey | 17 | 29 | 1 | 1059 | 127* | 2 | 7 | 37.82 | 19 |
| R A Smith | 14 | 28 | 5 | 830 | 141* | 2 | 2 | 36.08 | 7 |
| P A J DeFreitas | 14 | 20 | 1 | 422 | 113 | 1 | 2 | 22.21 | 5 |
| G C Small | 13 | 16 | 3 | 277 | 70 | — | 1 | 21.30 | — |
| D R Pringle | 12 | 16 | 0 | 304 | 128 | 1 | 1 | 19.00 | 3 |
| N A Foster | 9 | 10 | 1 | 79 | 22 | — | — | 8.77 | 4 |
| J H Childs | 12 | 12 | 7 | 30 | 13 | — | — | 6.00 | 5 |

**Bowling**

| | Ov | Md | Runs | Wk | BB | 5i | Avge |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| N A Foster | 298.5 | 66 | 844 | 41 | 6-53 | 3 | 20.58 |
| G C Small | 379.3 | 107 | 973 | 46 | 7-15 | 4 | 21.15 |
| P A J DeFreitas | 445.3 | 117 | 1242 | 52 | 5-38 | 4 | 23.88 |
| J H Childs | 373.4 | 116 | 912 | 35 | 5-36 | 2 | 26.05 |
| D R Pringle | 299.5 | 65 | 873 | 30 | 6-39 | 2 | 29.10 |
| G A Gooch | 114 | 26 | 304 | 9 | 2-29 | — | 33.77 |
| D J Capel | 353.5 | 61 | 1166 | 34 | 4-40 | — | 34.29 |
| R J Bailey | 24 | 4 | 85 | 2 | 2-77 | — | 42.50 |

ALSO BOWLED: T S Curtis 4.3-1-21-0; M P Maynard 18-4-55-0; C J Richards 4-1-26-0; R A Smith 2-0-27-0.

● *Compiled by Richard Lockwood*

### West Indies — batting and fielding

| | M | I | NO | Runs | HS | 100 | 50 | Avge | Ct/St |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| R A Harper | 11 | 12 | 5 | 605 | 217* | 1 | 4 | 86.42 | 20 |
| C G Greenidge | 10 | 14 | 1 | 675 | 111 | 3 | 3 | 51.92 | 5 |
| K L T Arthurton | 10 | 13 | 3 | 499 | 121 | 2 | 2 | 49.90 | 8 |
| P J L Dujon | 11 | 15 | 4 | 537 | 141 | 1 | 4 | 48.81 | 27 |
| D L Haynes | 13 | 21 | 3 | 824 | 158 | 1 | 6 | 45.77 | 4 |
| I V A Richards | 12 | 15 | 1 | 624 | 128 | 1 | 5 | 44.57 | 9 |
| A L Logie | 12 | 16 | 3 | 501 | 95* | — | 3 | 38.53 | 6 |
| M D Marshall | 8 | 9 | 1 | 289 | 76 | — | 2 | 36.12 | 2 |
| C L Hooper | 13 | 18 | 1 | 591 | 87 | — | 5 | 34.76 | 9 |
| C E L Ambrose | 12 | 14 | 2 | 261 | 59 | — | 1 | 21.75 | 1 |
| W K M Benjamin | 9 | 9 | 4 | 102 | 21* | — | — | 20.40 | 5 |
| D Williams | 8 | 10 | 1 | 182 | 51 | — | 1 | 20.22 | 11/1 |
| R B Richardson | 10 | 14 | 0 | 279 | 82 | — | 1 | 19.92 | 9 |
| I R Bishop | 8 | 6 | 2 | 56 | 23 | — | — | 14.00 | 1 |
| B P Patterson | 9 | 7 | 2 | 60 | 23* | — | — | 12.00 | 1 |
| C A Walsh | 8 | 6 | 3 | 26 | 9* | — | — | 8.66 | — |

ALSO BATTED: P V Simmons (1 match) 53*.

**Bowling**

| | Ov | Md | Runs | Wk | BB | 5i | Avge |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| M D Marshall | 196.1 | 47 | 437 | 38 | 7-22 | 3 | 11.50 |
| W K M Benjamin | 147.1 | 38 | 382 | 28 | 4-20 | — | 13.64 |
| I R Bishop | 142 | 30 | 406 | 21 | 6-38 | 2 | 19.33 |
| C E L Ambrose | 285 | 70 | 652 | 31 | 4-27 | — | 21.03 |
| B P Patterson | 196 | 29 | 632 | 25 | 5-39 | 1 | 25.28 |
| R A Harper | 200.3 | 60 | 482 | 16 | 4-10 | — | 28.87 |
| C L Hooper | 105.1 | 15 | 303 | 9 | 3-61 | — | 33.66 |
| C A Walsh | 210.2 | 49 | 580 | 16 | 5-49 | 1 | 36.25 |

ALSO BOWLED: K L T Arthurton 27.1-6-80-2; I V A Richards 45.4-10-122-3; R B Richardson 4-0-22-0.

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GOLF

# Faldo and Lyle the men most likely to succeed at Fulford

By Mitchell Platts
Golf Correspondent

Nick Faldo and Sandy Lyle renew their rivalry in the Benson and Hedges international, which starts at the Fulford course, York, today, before once again going their separate ways.

Faldo will move on to Oklahoma seeking to win the US PGA championship, and *Lyle has elected to turn his* back on that event in favour of a week off at home.

*Lyle's decision as the Masters champion not to compete in the last of the four major championships to unfold this year remains a mystery.* He had, of course, hinted earlier in the season that unless he won the Open he would bypass the US PGA championship.

Yesterday he attempted for the first time to explain what to many observers appears to be an illogical decision. "I *don't think that I would do* myself justice by flying in for just the one week," he said. "I have nothing whatsoever against the championship. It simply does not fit into my schedule. I've made enough journeys across the Atlantic already this year."

*Yet Lyle will* sandwich the World Series of Golf in Akron, Ohio, later this month between playing in the Carrolls Irish Open and the European Masters in Switzerland. That *makes a nonsense of the* excuse that he does not feel like making any more one-week journeys to the United States.

All of which is a pity because if Lyle were to win the US PGA title he would be three parts of the way towards emulating Ben Hogan, Jack Nicklaus and *Gary Player* by collecting each of the four major championships. Moreover, he is putting at risk his prospects of heading the money list — he is still in the lead with $617,334 (£363,000) — and receiving the Player of the Year honour.

Faldo has, like Lyle, won the Open championship once. *His gallant attempt to retain* the title provided further evidence of his ever-increasing ability to operate under the severest pressure. He has, since Royal Lytham, enjoyed a two weeks' rest fishing and swimming.

The rivals to Faldo and Lyle at Fulford include Mark McNulty, José-María Olazábal, Jose Rivero, Barry Lane, Mark James and Peter Senior, all of whom are in the top 10 in the Volvo Order of Merit, but not Severiano Ballesteros, who is top with £210,168, Ian Woosnam, Rodger Davis or Bernhard Langer.

**Card of course**

| Hole | Yds | Par | Hole | Yds | Par |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 416 | 4 | 10 | 174 | 3 |
| 2 | 444 | 4 | 11 | 501 | 5 |
| 3 | 194 | 3 | 12 | 325 | 4 |
| 4 | 458 | 4 | 13 | 471 | 4 |
| 5 | 185 | 3 | 14 | 175 | 3 |
| 6 | 545 | 5 | 15 | 449 | 4 |
| 7 | 415 | 4 | 16 | 382 | 4 |
| 8 | 375 | 4 | 17 | 355 | 4 |
| 9 | 486 | 5 | 18 | 488 | 5 |
| Out | 3,498 | 36 | In | 3,311 | 36 |

Total yardage: 6,809 Par: 72

# Speak celebrates with best shots

By Patricia Davies

Holing in one is an extraordinarily effective way of winning a match and Kirsty Speak, of Clitheroe, came within inches of doing it twice in the English girls' championship at Long Ashton, near Bristol, yesterday.

In her first-round match against Rebecca Millington, Speak, a Lancashire county player, was one up playing the 17th, a difficult par three of 165 yards. A well-struck five-wood later and the match was over, with Millington unable to scrape a half in one.

Speak, who had been up half the night with a stomach upset and was existing on a diet of bread and water, was unable to crack open the champagne at lunchtime — she is only 17 — but perhaps the sponsors, National Westminster Bank, will lay down a bottle for when she comes of age.

In the afternoon, playing her friend, Alison MacDonald, Speak stood up on the 20th tee and hit a perfect eight-iron stone dead, bringing to a close a match both girls had found difficult. Their mothers, though, had found it impossible. Having caddied for each other's offspring in the qualifying and the first round — parents are not allowed to caddie for their own daughters in this championship — they decided to be discreet in the afternoon and took themselves off to the shops.

Susan Shapcott, the defending champion, took a total of 26 holes to dispose of both Joanne Hockley and Moira Page and calculated she was six under par for the day.

RESULTS: First round: S Shapcott (Knowle) bt J Hockley (Felixstowe Ferry), 5 and 4; M Page (Glen Gorse) bt K Whitehead (Sherwood Forest), 2 and 1; E Ratcliffe (Sandiway) bt E Smith (West Essex), 5 and 4; D Adby (Ifield) bt C Hodgson (Barnard Castle), 3 and 2; W Dicks (Quietwaters) bt K Humphris, (Frilford Heath), 3 and 2; J Berry (Coxmoor) bt J Thompson (Wiltshire), one hole; K Speak (Clitheroe) bt R Millington (Druids Heath), 2 and 1; A MacDonald (Andover) bt S Germain (Bigbury), 7 and 6.

A Johns (Boston) bt K Baxter (Silloth on Solway), 5 and 4; P Dobson (South Moore) bt K Stapples (Prince's), 6 and 5; R Bolas (Beau Desert) bt L Broughton (Nottingham City), 2 and 1; S Morgan (Kenilworth) bt M Norwood (Dudley), 5 and 4; L Walton (Calcot Park) bt T Loveys (Weymouth), 4 and 2; S Keogh (Wyke Green) bt J Marchant (Whittington Barracks), 3 and 1; J Stevens (Alton) bt D Martin (Royal Mid-Surrey), 5 and 4; H Dobson (Seacroft) bt C Hall (Filton) 5 and 3.

Second round: Shapcott bt Page, 7 and 6; Adby bt Ratcliffe, at the 19th; Berry bt Dicks, one hole; Speak bt MacDonald, at the 20th; Johns bt P Dobson, 2 and 1; Morgan bt Bolas, 2 and 1; Walton bt Keogh, 2 and 1; H Dobson bt Stevens, 4 and 3.

# Meldrum upstages Americans

By John Hennessy

Fifty American golfers of venerable vintage, spearheaded by Bill Campbell, the captain of the R and A, and Bill Soyars, the holder, were upstaged by a lesser-known Yorksbireman on the first day of the British Senior Amateur Championship.

He was Bernard Meldrum, of Hallowes, who recorded a 71, level par, at the Royal Burgess course (6,604 yards). Campbell and Soyars, both plagued by bunkers as well as a fierce wind, took 80 and 79 respectively.

Five players shared the lead on 75 at nearby Brunstsfield Links (6,407 yards, par 71), among them Charlie Green, *three times a former Scottish* champion, competing for the first time at this level.

Campbell began well enough with a birdie at the second hole but he seemed to be unhinged by three puts on the short fourth. He missed an eight-foot birdie putt on the sixth and then dropped four shots over the next three holes.

Meldrum, a weekend golfer who appeared for Yorkshire 85 times in his heyday (he is now 59), played splendidly for a five-handicap player, with three birdies to offset the three shots lost to par. He missed the 36-hole cut last year by one shot

LEADING SCORES: Royal Burgess: 71: B A Meldrum (Hallowes). 75: I Hughes (Abbeydale and Pennard), C C Moore (US). 75: H Swash (Hillside), R A Ormiz (US). 76: G M Edwards (Bromborough), J Montgomerie (Cathcart Castle), J B Hope (Bolton). 77: W C Hutchinson (Brunstsfield Links), N C McLean (Hendon), J Glover (New). 78: J Olofsson (Sweden). Brunstsfield Links: 78: C W Green (Dumbarton), K Weavill (US), R Coogan (South Bedfordshire), M D Little (Cotswold Hills), R T McManus (US). 79: L G Taylor (Ranfurly Castle). 77: T Duckers (Hamstock Park) R C Fleming (US). 78: A B Hendry (Babertoh), F G Bird (Worcestershire), J Brick (US), J W Vickers (US), M Vans Agnew (Dyke), R E Deuber (US), C Hartland (Huddersfield) A N Sturrock (Prestwick). 79: H W Turner(Stockport).

# Team dispute goes on

Sydney (Reuter) — Greg Norman's participation in December's World Cup of Golf was thrown into question again yesterday when the Australian PGA warned that players might boycott the team tournament.

The PGA president, Terry Gale, said that the Australian team would be made up of Peter Senior and Roger Mackay, first and second in the 1987 Order of Merit, as announced earlier. On Tuesday, the organizers of the invitation event said that Norman and Rodger Davis would play. But Gale said players would make it difficult for the organizers to pick a team. Norman was not picked because he had not played the required number of PGA tournaments.

# Formby poses a fierce task

By a Special Correspondent

Formby's rolling sandhills and avenues of pine trees had little attraction for the teams from the Home Countries yesterday as they prepared for the Boys' international matches, starting today.

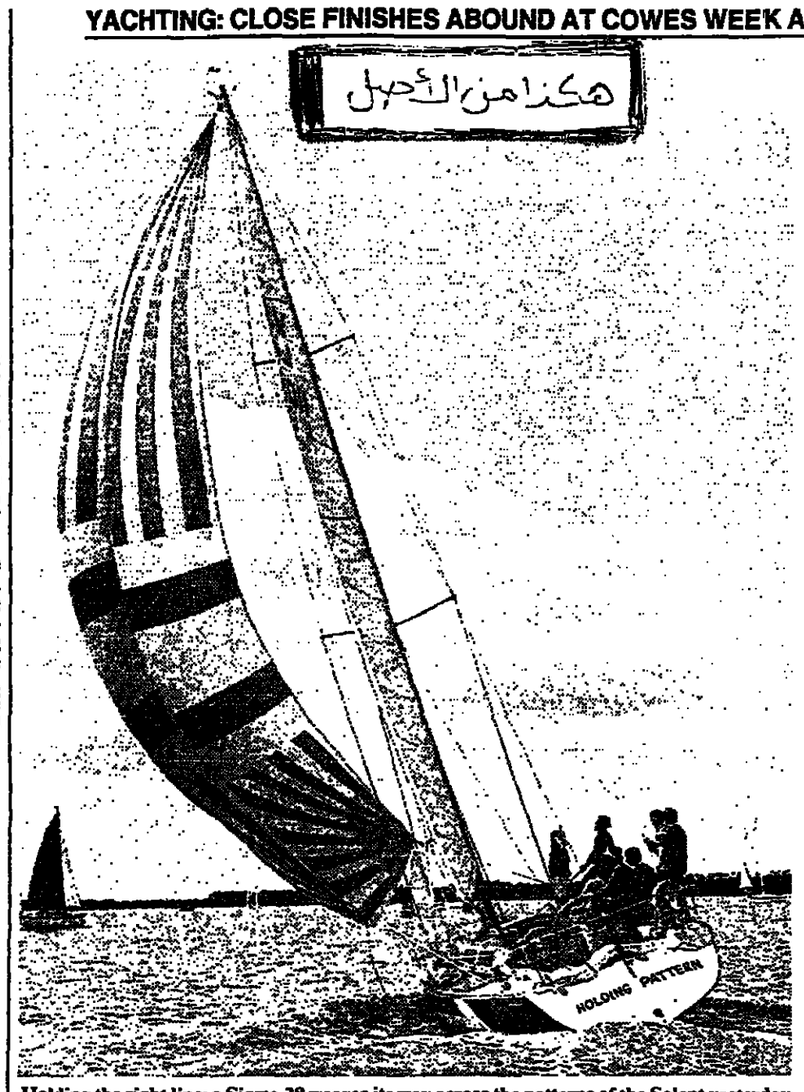
Even the lowest handicappers had their fair share of problems — and ominously will increase if the wind rises — as Scotland seek to defend the Royal and Ancient Trophy they won in Kilmarnock by beating England by a point and then coasting to a 10½-4½ victory over Wales. Colin Fraser and Stuart Syme, two players from that successful team, line up in the first foursomes match this morning.

England have several useful prospects in Paul Cage, winner of the recent Carris Trophy; David Bathgate, a scratch handicapper from Cheshire playing for the third and final time, and Mike Smith, a plus one handicap member of Brockenhurst Manor. Ireland put their faith in eight new caps, while some of the Welsh players found Formby beyond their capabilities yesterday.

TODAY'S ORDER OF PLAY: Scotland v England (Scotland names first): Foursomes: C Fraser, S Syme v D Barthgate and M Smith; M Hastie and M Urquhart v P Bembrick and P Page; R Russell and G Redford v R Walker and C Watts; A Weir and B Wortley v D Haines and M Plummer; M King and T Hendrie v M Dove and B Ingleby. Singles: Fraser v Page; Syme v Smith; King v Barthgate; Urquhart v I Barbutt; Russell v Walker; C Gordon v Dove; Weir v Bembrick; Redford v Ingleby; Wortley v Watts; Hastie v Haines.

Wales v Ireland (Wales names first): Foursomes: C Platt and S Edwards v P Harrington and N Kelly; A Wesson and P Murphy v S Paul and M Risley; R Johnson and R Evans v R Kinsella and R Conway; G Houston and C Evans v G Murphy and B Meaney; M Proctor and N Allen v D Stenson and B Galway. Singles: Platt v Harrington; Wesson v Paul; Johnson v Risley; Murphy v Kinsella; Edwards v Conway; Allen v Meaney; Houston v Stenson; J Grundy v M Coates; Proctor v Murphy and R Evans v Kelly.

YACHTING: CLOSE FINISHES ABOUND AT COWES WEEK AS CREWS JUGGLE WITH ELEMENTS




Holding the right line: a Sigma 38 weaves its way across the patterns of the Solent yesterday

# Cudmore holds on but only after recount by judges

By Malcolm McKeag

The trouble with yacht racing is that you can spend all day and many miles trying hard in a race that is decided on the last two legs and in the last few miles. *That happened at Cowes yesterday* as competitors again found themselves pawns in the daily battle between the established northerly gradient breeze which holds sway in the central Solent for most of the day and the sea breeze as it rolls up from the west in the afternoon.

In the Sigma 38s, David Dicht's Fever Too, being sailed for the day by Harold Cudmore, held sway for close to four of the four hours and a half of the race, but found all hingeing on the tricky cross-tide final leg from Beaulieu back to Cowes.

The sea breeze kept trying to make the run a reach, and the decision on how high to go became critical. Cudmore himself thought he had let Hugh Jago's Flamboyant through on the line angle, and so for a couple of hours did the timekeepers until a recount showed Fever to have held out by two seconds.

There was a similar story in the Lightwave 395 class, where Richard Matthews's Oystercatcher XIII sagged off to let Archie O'Leary's Irish Mist through.

With a good course set, which took the cruiser classes into the eastern Solent in the morning, then north of the Bramble to Quinnell, back to Cowes and then, for the biggest boats only, *round a shorter circuit*, the trick was to stay in phase with the breeze as it flicked from north to north-east and back to north-west on the beat to Quinnell.

It was also important to stay off the mud while short-tacking along the mainland shore. The radical new Julian Everitt-design Wavetrain, intended — somewhat controversially — to be a Channel Handicap rule-bender, was one to come thus stuck, digging the wings of her bullet-shaped keel bulb into the mud off Lee-on-the-Solent.

Today, the big boats of Class 1 race for the second of Cowes Week's "big three" trophies, the New York Yacht Club Challenge Cup.

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## RESULTS FROM COWES

IOR CLASS I: 1, Blue Diamond (B Polley); 2, Jacobite (S L James); 3, Trilogy II (B C Rizzi). IOR CLASS II: 1, Hi II (E Tietenbrun); 2, By The Way (S Robertson); 3, Local Hero V (G A Howson). IOR CLASS III: 1, Hullabalioo (D and A Evans); 2, Screwball (B K Bolton); 3, Pinocchio (Team Ten).

CHS CLASS IV: 1, Sorcery (R Wigley); 2, Five Ashes (D Woolner); 3, X-Claim (B Coare-Bond). CHS CLASS V: 1, S and P II (M Potnadis); 2, Nokomis (J Lawrence); 3, Notorious (D Tydeman). CHS CLASS VI: 1, Last Straw (D Burgess), 2, Friendship (A Meyer); 3, Electric Air (M Benton and D Childs). CHS CLASS VII: 1, Juno Lucina (J Cronk); 2, Monochrome (C and M Hurst); 3, Pluto (R Adams). Lightwave: 1, Irish Mist (A O'Learly); 2, Oystercatcher XIII (R Mathews); 3, Manonette (C A Dunning). Sigma 38: 1, Fever Too (D W Dicht); 2, Flamboyant (H G Jago); 3, Wayward (D O May). Sigma 33: 1, Sabra (J White); 2, Sigmastic II (D Bonner); 3, Duecallon (A H Glover). Contessa 32: 1, Chameleon (N van Agnew and S Finch); 2, Bakus II (C Wetherall); 3, Roulette of Beaulieu (J Matthews). Impala: 1, Tantrum (R E Pearce); 2, Kudo (A Cox, C Cox and W Catchpole); 3, Leacarola (T Rose and P Strauss). SCOD: 1, Tuonela (R J Harding); 2, Mister Jingle (T V Rowinson); 3, Anajo (B L Johnson). J24: 1, Gossip (E W McLean); 2, Pink Panther (G M Harris); 3, United World College J (A Barnes). Sonata: 1, Cadenza (J Frey); 2, An'meloo (C Ratsey); 3, Aeolian (J Dudley). Damag: 1, Loup Garou VIII (J B Clark); 2, Damsel (T J Sheldon); 3, Dauntless (P Porter and A Mathieu). Etchell: 1, Sunshine (A R Walters); 2, Rattlesnake (D Lyons); 3, Temenity (C Burnett and M O'Byrne). Dragon: 1, Mayfly (E Williams and I Lallow); 2, Rascal (J S Fairchild); 3, Nordic (W D Citron). Swallow: 1, Archon (J Vernon and D Palmer); 2, Hamer (A Troughton and J A Tagg); 3, Hibro (J Glover-Wylie and W Graham). Redwing: 1, Redwing (J Janson); 2, Red Gauntlet (V Stratton); 3, Parcquet (P Shanks and J Peal) Sunbeam: 1, Fay (A K Webster); 2, Penny (S Olaciaski and P Mazzoni); 3, Lucy (Mrs P Fowler). Mermaid: 1, Halfut (J Symes); 2, Sheen (R Camm and P Smallman); 3, Zara (Maj Gen A O Mills). Flying 15: 1, Effervescente (M Dixon and G Print); 2, Flashdance (R J Kaye); 3, Bullrush II (J A Manger). XOD: 1, Sphex (P Lees and J Kellaway); 2, Tortoise (Lady Lucinda le Marchant); 3, La Mouette (R Webb). Squib: 1, Satu (Cdre R L Hewitt); 2, Super Kipper (J W Mobbs); 3, Razzo Secondo (J B Bibby). Victory: 1, Blackbird (D Lloyd and N Hiff); 2, Steadfast (B Middleditch and P Cort); 3, Dolphin (HMS Dolphin sailed by Lt M J Blake).

ATHLETICS

# Loss of weight gains Gunnell a lighter frame of mind

By Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent

Sally Gunnell knows what it is like to have a good case for being included in an Olympic team, yet to be rejected by the selectors. It happened to her last time. "I'd run 13.3sec for the high hurdles, but they only took Shirley [Strong] and Sharon Danville. I wasn't too bothered *at the time, being so young, but* it really annoyed me afterwards, and especially now, when they're probably going to take someone to Seoul who's doing 13.3 this year."

At the time of the Los Angeles Olympics, Gunnell, aged 18, was vacillating between the heptathlon and the high hurdles, and did not make the team at either event. But she is covering all the angles this time. The best women's high hurdler in Britain, she won the Commonwealth title in 1986, she is doing that event at the Olympic trials, and the 400 metres hurdles, at *which she seems destined to be* British No. 1 as well.

The certainty of at least the third discretionary place in each event has lifted a weight off her mind this time, but it was the weight off her body which got her there in the first place. "I'd been overweight for at least two years until last winter. I just hadn't adjusted to growing up. I went from eight stones to about 9st 10. I was strong, but now I'm back under nine stones, I'm much faster."

David Hemery and Alan Pascoe are examples of how that move from high to intermediate *hurdles can project an athlete* into world class — Hemery won the Olympic title, and Pascoe the European title at the longer distance — and Gunnell's first full season at the one-lap event could see her into the Olympic final.

With the 100 metres hurdles world record at 12.26sec, and Gunnell still to break 13sec — she did 13.01 four times last year — she accepts that she is just not going to make it at the shorter event. "But I would still hate to leave it without breaking 13 seconds. I did 12.86 [Strong's national record is 12.87] in the first race of the season, but the wind was just over the limit. But I *think I can get two British* records by the end of the season.

"We [she and her coach, Bruce Longden] planned to move up to 400 after Seoul. But when I ran so well over 400 flat indoors, we decided to go for it this year. Because it does put me in a different category in the world."

# Hutchings to miss out

**With Jack Buckner out of this weekend's Olympic trials in Birmingham, Tim Hutchings, who is also injured, has little chance of securing the discretionary team place for Seoul. Buckner has been injured for most of the season, but as European champion, who was also third in last year's world championship 5,000 metres, he is virtually certain to get the selectors's nod, even if he needs to put in a world-class performance in the following two weeks (Pat Butcher writes).**

**So Hutchings, who finished fourth in the Los Angeles Olympic 5,000 metres, misses out due to a hamstring injury which has curtailed his training for the last month. Fortunately, this is one event where there is strong back-up, with Eamonn Martin, Paul Davies-Hale, Gary Staines and Geoff Turnbull.**

**Mark Rowland is in a situation similar to Buckner's. Rowland has a leg injury, but with the fifth-fastest steeplechase time of the year, 8min 16.34sec, his place should be assured.**

CYCLING

# McHugh could set a record in first ride

By Peter Bryan

Paul McHugh, disappointed at his bronze medal performance in the national 1,000 metres track championship at Leicester this week, returns to racing on Saturday as a professional.

The stocky Aintree rider, aged 21, expects to receive his new licence today and last night was close to signing a contract with a British sponsor.

McHugh's first professional ride, at the Pirelli meeting, which closes the nine-day championship series, could put his name in the record book. He is one of a dozen riders expected to make attempts on British 200 metres flying-start records. Professional figures have still to be established and to be successful, *McHugh will need to beat* his own amateur record of 11.2sec set when he was only 16. That he is confident he can do, provided conditions are reasonably good.

When he clocked his 11.2sec time, there was quite a strong wind but he would expect to get below 10sec this weekend.

He also competes in the Pirelli grand prix, facing strong opposition

POWERBOATING

# Gentry taking new thrust at Branson time

The American millionaire, Tom Gentry, disclosed yesterday that he would make another attempt on Richard Branson's transatlantic speed record of 3 days, 8 hours and 31 minutes next month (Steve Acteson writes).

Gentry, who has put $5 million into a $10 million campaign, says he will try again "as soon as possible". Last week he managed only 1,484 miles of the 3,386-mile crossing from *Ambrose Light, New York Harbour* to Bishop Rock off the Scillies before his 110ft Continental's Proud Bird was pulled up with a split fuel tank.

TENNIS

# Busy Durie withdraws from Olympic team

*From Barry Wood, San Diego*

**Jo Durie has withdrawn from Britain's Olympic squad because of her tournament schedule. She is playing a tour of America as a run-up to the US Open and she would have to prepare for Seoul within days of arriving home, and then begin the European indoor season immediately following the Olympics.**

**"If I went to the Olympics I would probably have to pull out of Stuttgart and Zurich because I would get tired by playing so many weeks in a row, and that's the time I'm liable to injure my back," Durie said.**

**"The Olympics are at a time that is so busy for me, and professionally it's better for me to play in the tournaments." Durie's withdrawal follows that of Anne Hobbs, who is injured, and the team will be Sara Gomer and Clare Wood.**

**Durie cannot be replaced because she did not pull out on the basis of injury. Sarah Loosemore, aged 17, would have been the substitute.**

**"I am very disappointed, but it's a personal decision and I understand her reasons," Sue Mappin, the national team manager, said. The Wimbledon champions, Stefan Edberg and Steffi Graf, will lead the chase at Seoul. Edberg, the world No. 2, leads the men's singles list, which contains four other members of the first 10: Mats Wilander, Boris Becker, Miloslav Mecir and Tim Mayotte. The women's entry includes eight of the top 10 players in the world rankings.**

OLYMPIC GAMES ENTRY: Singles: Men: S Abdullah (Nigeria), R Agenor (Haiti), St Alger (Bermi), Z Ali (India), V Amritraj (India), A A Antonitsch (Austria), J Bates (GB), B Becker (WG), G Bloom (Israel), D Cahill (Aus), O Camporese (It), Pablo Cane (It), S Casal (Sp), H Chapacu (Par), A Cherkasov (USSR), A Chesnokov (USSR), G Connell (Can), S Edberg (Swe), K Evernden (NZ), J Firzgerald (Aus), G Forget (Fr), J Frana (Arg), B Gilbert (US), A Gomez (Ecu), Mark Gurr (Zim), J Hlasek (Switz), G Ivanisevic (Yug), M Jaite (Arg), A Jarryd (Swe), E Jelen (WG), W Kowalski (Pol), RKrishnan (India), M Laurendeau (Can), L Lavalle (Mex), H Lecomte (Fr), F Maciel (Mex), A Mansdorf (Israel), W Masur (Aus), S Matsuoka (Japan), L Mattar (Br), T Mayotte (US), M Mecir (Cz), T Mmoh (Nigeria), A Moreno (Mex), D Nargiso (It), C N'Goran (Ivory Coast), N Odizor (Nigeria), V Paloheimo (Fin), V Pecci (Par), S Perkiss (Israel), C Pridham (Can), E Sanchez, J Sánchez (Sp), H Skoff (Austria), Dong-Wook Song (S Korea), M Srejber (Cz), C-U Stebb (WG), M Tauson (Den), T Tsuchihashi (Japan), A Volkov (USSR), M Wilander (Swe), J-S Yoo (S Korea), J Yzaga (Peru), S Zivojinovic (Yugo).

Women: C Bassett-Seguso (Can), R Basuki (Indo), I Berger (Israel), W Bouchabou (Alg), A-M Cecchini (It), BCordwell (NZ), IDemongeot (Fr), X Escobedo (Mex), C Evert (US), B Fulco (Arg), Garrison (US), S Goles (Yugo), S Gomer (GB), S Graf (WG), S Hanika (WG), C Hernandez (Mex), J Hetherington (Can), E Inoue (Japan), H Keleo (Can), H-Soon Kim (S Korea), C Kohde-Kilsch (WG), Jeong-Myung Lee (S Korea), C Lindqvist (Swe), K and M Maleeva (Bul), L Meskhi (USSR), A Minter (Aus), G Miro (Br), J Murr (Zim), J Novoma (Cz), K Okamoto (Japan), B Paulus (Austria), M Paz (Arg), R Reichrtova (Cz), D Rangelova (Bul), R Reggi (I), G Sabatini (Arg), A Sánchez (Sp), L Savchenko (USSR), T Scheuer-Larsen (Den), P Shriver (US), E Smylie (Aus), H Sukova (Cz), N Tauziat (Fr), O Tsarbopoulou (Gr), W Turnbull (Aus), C Wood (GB), N Zvereva (USSR).

# Top crews for world match race

By Barry Pickthall

The Western Australian Government will provide £225,000 towards the inaugural world match-race championship to be run by the Royal Perth Yacht Club off Fremantle in December.

The series, which will be contested by the leading match-race skippers from around the world, including Peter Gilmour, the Australian winner of this year's Duracell Lymington Cup, Chris Dickson, from New Zealand, and John Kolius, of the United States, will be sailed in Bruce Farr-designed 1060 cruiser racing yachts being built specially for the seven-day event.

Eddie Warden Owen, of Britain, is also likely to be invited to compete.

# Sailing on without much fuss

From a Correspondent
Altmuhlsee
West Germany

With the seven-race Topper world championship running to schedule despite the light wind conditions, the programmed rest day was taken yesterday. The championship has been unusual in that there has been a *lack of protests* between competitors; only the race committee has acted, mostly for yachts recrossing the line after finishing. Although it also took action against a boat which capsized onto the windward mark and sailed on without re-rounding.

Racing resumes with two races today and finishes tomorrow.

STANDINGS: 1, 29181 (A Carter, UK), 6pts; 2, 29504 (D Degge, UK), 34.4; 3, 28724 (P Wiesner, WG), 38; 4, 7235 (E Rosemann, WG), 45.7; 5, 13 (U Wendler, WG), 49.7; 6, 29123 (R Laune, UK), 52.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

MONTE CARLO: Hercules '88 meeting: Men: 100m: 1, C Imo (Nigeria), 10.17sec; 2, R Stewart (Jam), 10.25; 3, D Mitchell (US), 10.34. 200m: 1, J Butler (US), 20.42; 2, G Quenehserve (Fr), 20.44; 3, T Jefferson (US), 20.52. 400m: 1, A Vasinon (US), 45.16; 2, M Rowe (US), 45.32; 3, C Daniel (US), 45.44. 800m: 1, J Gray (US), 1min 44.91sec; 2, S Koskei (Ken), 1:45.22; 3, D Kwizera (Burundi), 1:45.53. 3,000m: 1, S Moree (US), 7:42.64; 2, P Deloze (Switz), 7:43.46; 3, V Roussseau (Bel), 7:44.08. 3,000m steeplechase: 1, B Le Stum (Fr), 8:19.63; 2, B Maminiki (Pol), 8:20.80; 3, I Huff (US), 8:22.35. 110m hurdles: 1, A Blake (US), 13.51sec; 2, R Nehemiah (US), 13.56; 3, J Ridgeon (GB), 13.61. 400m hurdles: 1, D Harris, (US), 48.57; 2, W Graham (Jam), 49.37; 3, K Henderson (US), 49.74. High jump: H Conway (US), 2.28m. Pole-vault: 1, K Tarpenning (US), 5.60m; 2, S Ferreira (Fr), 5.60; 3, P Collet (Fr), 5.60. Long jump: 1, L Myricks (US), 8.50m; 2, F Lestage (Fr), 7.88; 3, Y Alli (Nigeria), 7.86. Discus: W Schmidt (WG), 66.20m. Women: 100m: 1, J Cuthbert (Jam), 11.12sec; 2, S Echols (US), 11.30; 3, M Onyali (Nigeria), 11.33. 200m: 1, D Young (US), 22.23; 2, M-J Perec (Fr), 22.72; 3, L Leatherwood (US), 22.80. 1,500m: 1, M Constantin (Rom), 4min 03.48sec; 2, D Melinte (Rom), 4:03.93; 3, V Chotan (Rom), 4:04.17. 100m hurdles: 1, A Ngoumeau (Fr), 12.94; 2, M Rogacian (Rom), 12.94; 3, L Tolbert (US), 12.98. High jump: S Kostadinova (Bul), 1.95m. Javelin: E Malovecz (Hun), 65.98m.

FOOTBALL

VAASA (Finland): Exhibition match: Vaasa Palloseura 0, Manchester City 2.
LEVERKUSEN: Exhibition match: Bayer Leverkusen 1, PSV Eindhoven 0.

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: National League: New York Mets 3, Chicago Cubs 1; Pittsburgh Pirates 3, Montreal Expos 2; San Diego Padres 3, Atlanta Braves 1; Los Angeles Dodgers 2, Cincinnati Reds 0; Houston Astros 13, San Francisco Giants 10; Philadelphia Phillies 2, St Louis Cardinals 0. American League: Toronto Blue Jays 11, Minnesota Twins 0; Chicago White Sox 7, Oakland Athletics 5; Detroit Tigers 1, Kansas City Royals 0; California Angels 10, Seattle Mariners 2; Milwaukee Brewers 11, New York Yankees 5; Boston Red Sox 7, Texas Rangers 2.

CRICKET

BATH: Representative match: Army 212-8 (Fleming 81, Ingham 68, Thomas 4-25); Civil Service 199-8 (Parsons 61, Jackson 56, Fleming 3-34, Presland 2-21). Army won by 13 runs.

CYCLING

LISBON: Tour of Portugal: Fifth stage (187km): 1, P Pinto (Por) 4hr 31min 09sec; 2, F Boucanville (Fr), same time; 3, F Carvalho (Por), same time. Overall leader: A Martinez (Sp), 18:07:25.
COPENHAGEN: Tour of Denmark: First stage (164km): 1, U Frauler (Switz) 4hr 41min 03sec; 2, P Rosola (It), 4:41:06; 3, J-L Pellon (Fr), 4:41:12.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

CRYSTAL PALACE: Daily Mail Eurobowl '88: Semi-final: Amsterdam Crusaders 29, Berlin Eagles 28.

HOCKEY

AGRA (India): International match: India 4, Pakistan 1.

MOTOR RALLYING

ARGENTINIAN RALLY: First stage: 1, F Wittmann (Austria, Lancia), 2min 40.23sec; 2, J Recalde (Arg, Lancia); 3, R Stohl (Austria, Audi Quatro); 4, G Fischer (Austria, Audi Quatro); 5, M Beason (It, Lancia).

TENNIS

KITZBÜHEL: Austrian open tournament: Men's singles: First round: C Pistolesi (It) bt P Vojtisek (WG), 3-6, 6-1, 7-5; S Casal (Sp) bt B Stankovic (Cz), 6-3, 6-1; K Carlsson (Swe) bt T Champion (Fr), 6-1, 6-1; G Vitas (Arg) bt R Agenor (Haiti) 6-4, 6-2; H Leconte (Fr) bt M Rackl (WG), 7-6, 6-3. Second round: T Muster (Austria) bt T Haldin (Swe), 6-1, 6-0; Pistolesi bt E Jelen (WG), 6-3, 6-4; J Arrese (Sp) bt A Maurer (WG), 7-5, 6-4.
SAN DIEGO: Women's tournament: First round (US unless stated): S Rehe bt R Reis, 6-2, 7-5; R Fairbank (SA) bt J Heatherington (Can), 6-1, 4-6, 6-3; J Sanbrook bt P Fendick, 6-1, ret; G Magers bt K Schimper (SA), 6-0, 6-2; A Ivan bt S Gomer (GB), 6-4, 6-4; A Grossman bt E Pfaff (WG), 6-2, 6-1; R White bt L Green, 6-2, 6-4; L Bonder-Kreis bt P Vasquez (Peru), 6-0, 3-6, 6-0; D van Rensburg (SA) bt B Nagelsen, 7-5, 7-6.
INDIANAPOLIS: United States men's hardcourt championship (US unless stated): First round: T Wilskon bt R Smith (Ban), 6-3, 6-1; J Lozano (Mex) bt S Davis, 7-5, 6-3; K Evernden (Aus) bt J Rive, 6-2, 6-1; J Brown bt R Reisberg, 6-4, 6-3; P Aldrich (SA) bt M Pfur, 6-4, 7-6. Second round: B Becker (WG) bt T Nelson, 6-3, 6-7, 6-2; M Dickson bt T Mayotte, 7-6, 6-3; P Lundgren (Swe) bt K Flach, 6-1, 6-4; A Krickstein bt G Connell (Can), 7-5, 6-4; J Roas bt J Fitzgerald (Aus), 6-3, 7-5; R Seguso bt R Matuszewski, 4-6, 6-1, 6-1; S You (Aus) bt J Grabb, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3; D Rostagno bt F Maciel (Mex), 6-1, 6-3; J Pugh bt G Michibata (Can), 6-3, 6-1; J Frawley (Aus) bt P Wekesa (Ken), 6-2, 6-4.

# EVA against stimulus from alcohol

The English Volleyball Association (EVA) announced a new sponsorship deal yesterday and confirmed that it had been decided at the annual meeting not to seek alcohol-related sponsorship (Roddy Mackenzie writes).

Richard Callicott, the chairman of the EVA, said: "Financially, alcohol sponsorship *could be of enormous help but* we are very aware of alcohol-related problems associated with sport. The governing body of volleyball in England believes it must set an example to the *large numbers of young people* who are taking up the sport."

The EVA has signed a three-year equipment deal with Olympic Sports, of Leeds.

RIFLE SHOOTING

# Trophy stolen from Ontario

Great Britain won the Canadian Pacific Team Trophy for the first time in a team rifle match with Ontario shot at 900 and 1,000 yards range at Camp Borden, Ontario, yesterday (a *Special Correspondent writes*). Despite haze and a variable wind, the British total of 1,098 set a record with a 37-point margin over the Canadians.

Top British were Les Wicker and Gary Childs, with 95. Ontario's best were Pat Vamplew, 95, and Jim Bullock, 94.

BOWLS

# Wood seeks an elusive national championship

By David Rhys Jones

Willie Wood, Scotland's most famous bowler, has a chance this week to win the national title that has eluded him, when the Dewar's Scottish championships are held in Glasgow.

Winner of the 1982 Commonwealth Games gold medal, Wood has four times been a runner-up in world championship events. *He finished* second in the Scottish singles in 1970, since when he has, surprisingly, never competed in the final stages.

In Scotland, the previous *season's club championships* — of which there are almost 1,000 — are played in 32 districts to qualify for the national championships, and there will be 480 bowlers competing today in the singles, pairs, triples and fours at Queen's Park and the neighbouring Mount Florida greens.

Wood is drawn to play against Robert Whannel, the 1979 Scottish junior champion from Newton Stewart, in the first round, and, if successful, will be *challenged strongly by a number of* international colleagues, with the experienced Brian Rattray, of Alva, and Alex "Tattie" Marshall, aged 21, of Gorgie Mills, to the fore.

Gary Craig, of the Riverside club in Stirlingshire, defends his junior title, the only 1987 winner to have survived the gruelling qualification process.

# Hedges wins his way

By Gordon Allan

Roy Hedges, of Bristol, advanced to the third round of the Bournemouth open tournament singles in unusual circumstances at Meyrick Park yesterday.

The regulations stipulate two hours as the *maximum period* for singles matches during the first four days. Hedges led Ray Andrews of Ipswich 20-18 when an umpire told them their time was up.

After a short delay, the players took matters into their own hands, returned to the green and finished the game, Hedges winning 21-20.

RESULTS: Second round: J Morgan 21, R Ebden 7; D Febrey 21, D Liles 6; J Cook 21, M Hutley 13; G Thomas 21, T Chambers 16; R Cowling 21, A Fagg 5; K Megson 21, D Lambert 8; H Aitchison 21, R Marshall 14; N Rowe 21, C Fisher 6; D Bishop 21, P Parkes 13; R Hedges 21, R Andrews 20; D Clackworthy 21, R Routledge 11; M McLaren 21, R Tait 16; P Sinden 21, T Perkins 14; R Kivell 21, D Dearling 8; J Searle 21, M Coles 16; V Jones 21, N Meckereth 12; R Kemp 21, A Miller 10; J Crabb 21, D Taylor 20; C Ward 21, B Brown 5; L Pull 21, J Jones 6; P Wooller 21, B Swannie 11; R Rickard 21, F Coomber 11; K Birch 21, R Sutherland 19; A Ash 21, J Webley 20; R Provan 21, J Donovan 8; R Morgan 21, D Colbourne 19.

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ROWING

# Wood escapes scramble in repêchages

From Jim Railton, Milan

British coaches were left frantically trying to instil motivation into their crews for today's *repêchages* in the world junior and lightweight championships on the Idroscalo course here after only Carol-Ann Wood progressed yesterday.

Wood, *matched the hostile* tempo in this year's championship when she finished third to progress directly to the semi-finals in the lightweight single sculls.

The *repêchage system* at world level is a generous, if prolonged, process. Yet many of the British crews may be grateful today as they should pick themselves up and make progress — *if the coaches* can imbue fresh spirit into their efforts. And they have much good material on which to work. The lightweight men's coxless fours and eight and women's double sculls are all swift even if they only finished in second place yesterday against class opposition.

RESULTS: Men: Single sculls: 1, Hungary, 6min 04.30; 4, Britain, 6min 10.10. Lightweight single sculls: 1, Netherlands, 7min 21.11; 4, Britain, 7min 39.40. Coxless four: Heat 2: 1, Italy, 6min 16.24; 2, Britain, 6min 18.74. Double sculls: Heat 2: 1, Italy, 6min 57.21; 4, Britain, 7min 09.40. Eights: Heat 2: 1, United States, 5min 44.82; 2, Britain, 5min 45.84. Women: Junior double sculls: Heat 2: 1, Czechoslowakia, 5min 29.55; 4, Britain, 5min 53.75. Lightweight single sculls: He

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# Board fines Gatting £5,000

**Mike Gatting, the former England captain, was fined £5,000 after a Lord's disciplinary hearing yesterday over three charges connected with his controversial autobiography, *Leading from the Front*.**

**Gatting was told he had been let off lightly because of his previous "exemplary" record. The TCCB disciplinary committee considered charges that Gatting was guilty of breaching Board regulations and said his penalty would have been doubled if he had been in similar trouble before.**

**A full statement issued by the TCCB after inquiry said: "The discipline committee of the Test and County Cricket Board met to consider two charges against Mike Gatting relating to publications without Board consent and in breach of his contract.**

**"The first concerned his book entitled *Leading From The Front* and the other an article by way of preview to the book which appeared in *The Sunday Times* on June 12. The Committee found the charge relating to the book proved, but dismissed the charge relating to the article in *The Sunday Times*.**

**"In view of serious nature of the offence the committee has imposed a fine of £5,000. In assessing this penalty the committee took into account the previous exemplary record of Mike Gatting and his great contributions for the good of the game.**

**"The Committee has recorded that were it not for these contributions the fine would have been at least doubled; and give notice that any future breaches of this nature of the Board's regulations will attract penalties of like severity."**

**The Middlesex captain, dismissed as England captain in June following newspaper allegations about his private life, gave his side of events to the eight-man discipline panel which debated the case for eight hours.**

**Gatting's book included an account of the finger-wagging and swearing row with Shakoor Rana, the Pakistan umpire, in Faisalabad during last winter's England tour. No player is allowed to comment on a tour until two years have elapsed.**

**It was all a far cry from Wednesday when Gatting received an OBE from the Queen at Buckingham Palace for leading England to victory in Australia two winters ago.**

# A tour likely to end in triumph

By Alan Lee
Cricket Correspondent

At some point over the next few days, the grief will begin again. Unless someone manages to change the tired old record still spinning on the turntable, England will once more be fed into the West Indian mangle whereupon, after a brief period of mourning and a public inspection of the body, a now familiar ritual of the inquest will occupy the country.

It is a routine which has grown more depressing with each passing match this summer. Moreover, it has become dangerously obsessional. So much has been made of England's thorough incompetence that the quality of the opposition has been shamefully underplayed.

The simple fact that England have been beaten — no, slaughtered — by a vastly superior side has too often been camouflaged by the noisy wailing of excuses, the dissection of deficiencies and the innumerable suggestions for cures, some sound, some quaint and some simply outrageous.

Maybe now, while there is one last chance to admire them, is the moment to acknowledge the virtues which Vivien Richards' West Indian side have brought to bear on this horribly one-sided Cornhill series. Not just brute force and not just class but also, and essentially, the very qualities of single-minded commitment and self-discipline once thought to be alien to the Caribbean way of life. They are not content with their natural gifts as cricketers, they are intent on working tirelessly to improve them.

Anyone seeking confirmation could have satisfied himself through a visit to the Oval yesterday morning. For three hours, the West Indies went through the sort of concentrated practice session more readily associated with a team going into the final Test one down, rather than three up. The fast bowlers operated off full run-ups, the batsmen played without frills or frivolity.



Captain victorious: Viv Richards, exercising at the Oval yesterday, may tour England again in 1991, when he will be 39 (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Overseeing it all, usually with a benign eye but just occasionally with a sharp word for any hint of malingering, was Richards. A very different Richards, it must be said, from the man who began this tour three months ago. Then, he was moodily withdrawn and prone to suspicion. Now, he is very plainly at one with his job and at peace with himself.

The manager, Jackie Hendriks agrees. "I think Viv still had a few doubts when the tour started. He was the target of very unfair comparisons with Clive Lloyd. He had started out with a handicap but he has shrugged that off. He has created his own team and the boys look up to him."

Richards confirmed: "It was one of the hardest things in life to follow a man like Clive but I have always been happy in this job — it is other people who haven't always been happy with me."

Captain and manager agree that England have not put up the sort of fight they anticipated. "I thought it would be much harder," said Richards while Hendriks added: "I thought we were in for a series of real Tests, of nail-biting finishes." He examined his fingers critically: "My nails seem to have got through without much damage."

Richards is rightly proud of the manner in which raw young tourists, such as Hooper and Ambrose, have responded to his captaincy and the speed at which they have advanced. He explains: "I thought some of them would be here primarily to learn but they have worked so hard at becoming influential players in their own right."

There was praise, too, for the part played by Malcolm Marshall — not simply through his 31 wickets but in his role as tutor to the young bowlers. Said Hendriks: "It is as if he has adopted them. He is very unselfish with his knowledge and he has a lot to impart. He will sit and talk with a young bowler for as long as is needed. I know he is threatening to retire soon but I still hope he doesn't."

Richards himself, entering his 99th Test match today, is not even thinking of retirement. He recalled: "I once said I would only play until I was 35. Well, I'm 36 now and I'm feeling better than when I was 23. I'm not going to make any big statements about this being my last Test in England. I have a little gut feeling that I might just be back."

He will fly home next week for two months of rest — "the longest break I have had since 1974". He may well be back next year with Sussex, or with a Lancashire League club. If so, he will come back with his reputation enhanced by the way in which he has led his team this summer.

Only Richie Richardson is ruled out of the West Indies team today as they attempt to complete a 4-0 victory. They will not be discouraged by the pitch, which is firm and brown and likely to grant more bounce for the quicker bowlers than last year, when Pakistan amassed 708 on it. England eventually salvaged a draw from that ordeal but it is a sobering fact that, of the team which played 12 months ago, only Neil Foster survives to take part today. Nothing could be more revealing about this year of turmoil.

END COLUMN

## How the logic is argued away

By Simon Barnes

**The committee meeting is the worst decision-making device in the history of mankind. It stands to reason, then, that cricket is run by committees.**

**Meetings are part of life for many people. They work well enough — provided their aim is to communicate decisions already made. But you simply cannot use committee meetings to make firm, clean decisions or to create clear, far-sighted policies.**

**A meeting between two people is often splendidly creative. In a committee of three, things have already lost their edge. Once you have more than three, you have lost control.**

**The dynamics of the committee simply do not make for good decision-making. Meetings create argument, opposition, compromise and concession. Committees give you a mixture of pig-headed stubbornness and feather-brained shilly-shallying. A member of a committee wants to stuff his ideas down the meeting's throat, or, if lower in the hierarchy, at least for goodness sake to be seen to be making a contribution.**

**The various committees that run English cricket, and in particular the one that picks the England team, have spent the summer giving a bravura performance of committee muddling: this has been a summer of changeableness, incoherence, and certifiable incompetence.**

## Life preserved in the laager

**The selectors have shown tremendous loyalty, but only to each other. Players, and in particular the luckless captains, get jumped on from the dizziest heights, as the committee continues with life in the laager.**

**Committees act best when they protect the power and insecurities of their members. In cricket, the actual players are an underclass: treated with a degree of contempt, and a good deal of mistrust. Players get flung out for failing, while the selection committee goes on and on.**

**The No. 1 bish this season was the Gatting Affair. To sack a man at the behest of a pop newspaper seemed odd to me. The banning of his book — which reveals nothing but that Gatting is a bit of an old sulkpot, and it needs no ghost from the grave to tell us that — was a further nonsense.**

**The idea of facing the best bowling attack in the world with Pringle at No. 6 was nothing less than grotesque. The appointment and immediate discarding of Emburey had a surreal quality. Then from caution to recklessness in a single bound with the appointment of Cowdrey. He seems like a nice boy.**

**Now we have Gooch, the England captain who could not stand the pace of county leadership, and whose best known captaincy experience was with the treacherous South African Breweries XI. And on and on.**

**Where is the logic? Where is the coherence? The selection committee's major achievement has been to transform this summer into a trivia question: name all four England captains of 1988. That is, if the committee sticks at four.**

**Lord knows I am no drum-beater for a full-time manager — mainly because the man chosen as manager will have to be chosen by a committee. That means he will be a Good Chap, who knows when to touch his forelock. Someone who knows exactly where he stands in the class system of cricket: a classic Compromise Candidate, in short.**

## Power without responsibility

**If, in the real world, a managing director kept firing his deputies, the chairman would conclude, and rightly so, that this said more about the MD than it did about the deputies. The MD would get promoted — as manager of the Ouagadougou office.**

**But the selection committee sails serenely onwards, basking in the delights that only power without responsibility can bring: the members are unsackable, and unaccountable: the true aristocrats of the modern game.**

**Someone once told me that American football showed the two worst things in American society: violence and committee meetings. English cricket demonstrates the two worst things in English society: the class system — and committee meetings.**

# Lamb's absence will open the way for Bailey

By Andrew Longmore

Graham Gooch, the fourth England captain of the summer, and his ragged army will try to salvage some pride from the final Cornhill Test against West Indies at the Oval today, but they will be without the experience and fighting spirit of Allan Lamb, who joined the lengthy casualty list yesterday.

Lamb was ruled out after failing a fitness test on his injured right calf muscle. His withdrawal means a long-awaited Test debut for his county colleague, Rob Bailey, who will bat at No. 3.

Lamb's absence leaves England with perhaps their least experienced batting line-up since the war. Apart from Gooch, who captains England for the first time in his 67th Test, the other four main England batsmen — Curtis, Bailey, Maynard, and Robin Smith — have just two caps between them. But the England manager, Micky Stewart, was still looking on the bright side yesterday as England practised in the Oval sunshine.

"There is no point in having reservations about putting in so many relatively new players," Stewart said. "Ideally, we haven't got the right balance between youth and experience, but they've all got the opportunity now to perform at the highest level, and it's up to them."

With batting experience at a premium, England had left a decision on Lamb's fitness until the last minute, but it was clear after a gentle jog around the ground that the injury suffered 10 days ago at Headingley had not healed properly, and he will be out for at least another 10 days.

Thrust reluctantly into the role of acting captain, Gooch admitted he had not had time to think seriously about the task. But he did not completely rule out the possibility of assuming the captaincy in the long term. "I was only phoned up and asked on Tuesday, so let's get this game out of the way first," he said.

"There has been a lot of talk about what the players should have done in this series, but now it's time for the talking to stop. The players won't need motivating because there are places at stake for the final Test of the summer, against Sri Lanka, and on the winter tour to India. We have to compete to win; our performances to date have not been up to standard."

**ENGLAND (from):** G A Gooch (captain), T S Curtis, R J Bailey, M P Maynard, R A Smith, D J Capel, D R Pringle, C J Richards, P A J DeFreitas, N A Foster, J H Childs, G C Small.

**WEST INDIES (from):** I V A Richards (captain), C G Greenidge, D L Haynes, C L Hooper, A L Logie, P L J Dujon, R A Harper, M D Marshall, C E L Ambrose, W K M Benjamin, C A Walsh, B P Patterson.

**Umpires:** H D Bird and K E Palmer.

**TV TIMES:** BBC2 10.55 a.m.-1.05 p.m., 1.35-2 (includes golf), 4.10-6.10 p.m. BBC1 1.50-4.10 p.m. Highlights: 11.35 p.m.

**WEATHER:** Mainly dry, some sunshine; wind mainly westerly light to moderate; maximum temperature, 22° C (72° F).

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# Whitaker breaks puissance record

By Jenny MacArthur

Michael Whitaker and Next Didi, joint winners of the Birmingham and Aachen puissance competitions this season, helped break the Dublin puissance record yesterday when they cleared the big wall at 7ft 5in at the Dublin Horse Show to share equal first place with Captain John Ledingham, of Ireland, on Kilcoltrim, and Willibert Mehlkopf, of West Germany, on Hennessy Wabbs. The previous record of 7ft 4in had stood since 1984.

With perfect conditions in the famous Ballsbridge Arena the three horses all looked capable of jumping even higher but the rules allow only four jump-offs. Whitaker, who bought the Belgian-bred Didi earlier this year, was more than happy to stop at 7ft 5in. "It's the highest I've jumped and the highest he's jumped," he said, grinning broadly.

Earlier, Nick Skelton's Olympic shortlisted horse, Apollo, returned to the winning enclosure in the Shell Power and Speed event — just three days after winning the Silk Cut Derby at Hickstead, one of the sport's toughest events. Yesterday's competition was small fry by comparison — with a first prize of IR£1,250 compared with £25,000 last Sunday — but "a good whizz round" was just what the 13-year-old gelding needed

Skelton had rested Apollo on the opening day of the show and was rewarded with fast and fluent jumping yesterday which left even Ireland's top speed horse Mostrim, ridden by Commandant Gerry Mullins, firmly in the shade.

"You'd have needed a low flying aeroplane to beat Apollo today," Mullins declared. His compatriot, Vina Lyons, aged 21, a former National Champion, came closest — finishing 0.06sec behind Apollo — on Listerine Second Nature.

In the calmer atmosphere of the nearby hunter rings, Frances Cash had some compensation for having her Cork and Balmoral champion hunter, Emerald Square, spun by the vets on the eve of the show by winning yesterday's 4-year-old heavyweight class with Mount Argus. Mrs Cash, whose late husband Ned was one of Ireland's best known horse dealers, bought the bay gelding at the Ballinasloe Horse Fair in County Galway last October. The Hunter Championship takes place today.

**RESULTS: Shell Puissance: 1=, Kilcoltrim (Capt J Ledingham, Ire), Next Didi (M Whitaker, GB), Hennessy Wabbs (W Mehlkopf, WG), 0-0-0-0-0. Wylie Trophy: 1, Carrols Flight (E Macken, Ire), 0 faults, 39.26sec; 2, Country Classics Kruger (J Tun, GB), 0, 41.65; 3, Narcos (E Navet, Fr), 0, 42.39. Shell Power and Speed: 1, Apollo (N Skelton, GB), 0, 32.55; 2, Listerine Second Nature (V Lyons, Ire), 0, 32.61; 3, Milou De Subligny (H Bourdy, Fr), 0, 33.11.**

# BBC stranglehold on FA Cup ties after £30m deal

By Peter Ball

While the Football League clubs were discovering exactly what the ITV deal means at Villa Park yesterday afternoon, the FA finally confirmed that it has agreed to a five-year exclusive contract for FA Cup and international matches with BBC and British Satellite Broadcasting (BSB).

The FA deal is worth £30 million over five years and gives BBC exclusive rights to live Cup ties except the final, with the option to put out a crucial World Cup qualifying match live. BSB will take in the other midweek internationals and cup replays.

"We are delighted that the FA has been able to conclude an agreement with the BBC and BSB," Ted Croker, the secretary of the Football Association, said. "We have recognized that it was only through BSB's initiative that the FA, and the Football League, can look forward to receiving a fair market price."

Events at Villa Park were less clear cut. At their separate meetings, the second division and associate members were given details of the ITV offer and sent it back asking for some areas to be renegotiated with the official Football League negotiating team before being presented to the extraordinary general meeting on Monday.

Afterwards, Ian Stott, of Oldham, the chairman of the second division group, and Reg Driver, of the associate members, expressed some reservation about the situation. "I'm very sad at the withdrawal of BSB," Stott said. "I honestly believe they offer the better long-deal for football."

The first division, which had first indicated its support for ITV's £44 million at Villa Park two weeks ago, was rather more bullish, and afterwards Philip Carter, the Football League president, made an impassioned speech. "If anybody has any criticism of my actions as president, I want them to stand up and tell me."

## Scotland sell cheap

**Scottish Television and BBC Scotland have signed a two-year deal with the Scottish Football League — at a fraction of ITV's proposed £44 million deal in England.**

**The top networks will pay just £750,000 for recorded highlights of Scotland League games throughout the season and Skol Cup semi-finals, as well as live coverage of the Skol Cup final and one premier division match.**

**The television companies will pay — in total — just £250,000 more than ITV are offering for live transmission of individual games in the Football League. The agreement is around £100,000 more than the previous contract**

# Football's gain to be others' loss

By Peter Ball and Pat Butcher

Other sports are likely to feel the effects of ITV's apparently successful bid for the rights to show Football League games. Athletics, the subject of ITV's previous big coup, is particularly liable to find itself with a reduced contract when that comes up for renewal in 1990.

Several ITV companies are said to be disappointed with the returns on their present investment. Now faced with the need to find a minimum of £11 million a year for football, out of a sports budget which was only £13.5 million in total last year, major economies will have to be made.

One ITV insider said: "There are only two sports which I think will survive with any strength — football, of course, and boxing. But athletics must be very vulnerable. It hasn't delivered anything like the audiences necessary."

In the first year of the ITV contract for athletics, which began on April 1, 1985, there were 22 meetings in the British Board package, plus five International Athletes' Club (IAC) promotions, negotiated under a separate deal.

The Board output is down to 18, with the amalgamation of the women's with the men's AAA championships this weekend in Birmingham, and the dropping of two road races and an indoor meeting. The IAC has also lost its series of three road races.

It is understood that the Board contract, which cost ITV £10.5 million for five years, included provision for the dropping of more meetings in the last two years, 1989 and 1990.

Greg Dyke, the London Weekend Television controller of programmes, was recently overruled by the regional companies when he sought to launch a publicity campaign emphasizing that athletics is an ITV sport.

John Bromley, the head of ITV sport, rejected rumours that the money and coverage on offer would be cut by half, but he confirmed that ITV was certainly looking at the sport carefully.

"I think we came in to athletics at a time when they hadn't really got their act together. And I think they were slightly immature and couldn't cope with all the money," he said.

Mike Farrell, the Board secretary, said yesterday: "We don't know how the football deal will affect us. I know ITV was very keen to get football. But, we have no idea of future contracts. We shall be looking at all the avenues.

## High earners on Kop

The cost of Liverpool's continued success was disclosed yesterday in the accounts for the year ended on May 6 (Ian Ross writes). Eight members of the staff earned more than £100,000 and one — almost certainly Kenny Dalglish, the manager — picked up in excess of £200,000.

Payment to management and players increased by more than £660,000 to £2,923,000 but revenue reserves, excluding income from the FA Cup final against Wimbledon, played after the accounts closed, stand at £2,271,000. Net profit is £327,000.

● Newport County failed to meet yesterday's deadline set by the High Court for the payment of £23,000 rent arrears to the local borough council and bailiffs have been ordered to repossess their Somerton Park ground. The GM Vauxhall Conference club was relegated from the Football League last season. Last night, Eddie May, the club manager, resigned.

● Dundee United have signed the Yugoslav international, Miodrag Kirvokapic, and London-born Raphael Meade, formerly with Arsenal, from Sporting Lisbon, for £400,000.

SPORT IN BRIEF

## Return to the ring

David Pearce, the former British heavyweight champion, is considering making a boxing comeback in the United States after the British Boxing Board of Control failed to have him jailed for not returning his Lonsdale belt.

Deputy Judge Gareth Williams QC said at the High Court in London that he had "reluctantly" come to the conclusion that the Board had not proved beyond all reasonable doubt that Pearce was in contempt of a court order to return the belt which he won in 1983.

## Early start

The European men's professional golf tour will have its earliest start next year, teeing off with the Tenerife Open on February 23.



Pearce: considering return

## Drawless goal

Budapest (AFP) — The Hungarian Football League has taken a revolutionary step by ordering that from the new season, which starts on Saturday, there will be no more drawn games. Winning teams will get three points, but where a match ends level, penalty shots will decide the game, with the winner getting two points and the loser one.

## Inflated price

Bonn (AFP) — Katarina Witt, of East Germany, the world and Olympic ice skating champion, denies being paid $4 million (£2.35 million) to appear in the Holiday on Ice show for six months. She told *Stern* magazine that the figures put forward by the western Press are far too high, but would not say exactly how much she was being paid.

## London Rules

Melbourne (AP) — Four leading Australian Rules football teams will compete in a three-game exhibition series in London, Miami and Toronto later this year, the Victorian Football League (VFL) announced yesterday. The Hawthorn Hawks, Collingwood Magpies, Carlton Blues and the Geelong Cats, will contest prize-money of $100,000 (£60,000) in the tournament. Carlton facing Hawthorn at the Oval cricket ground.

# Five with clean-up job

The streamlining of Rugby League administration took a big step forward yesterday with the creation of a five-man board of directors under a chief executive, David Oxley (Keith Macklin writes). One of the board's immediate tasks will be to erase the nasty aftertaste of the foul play on the pitch, and crowd riots off it, which tarnished an otherwise booming sport last season.

The decision to replace the existing nine-man management committee with a smaller board of directors was taken at yesterday's meeting in Leeds of the full council, on which all clubs have membership. The five members will be elected from within the council, a chairman will be appointed, and Oxley's title of secretary-general will be replaced with that of chief executive.

David Howes, the public relations officer, said each of the board members would have a special area of responsibility such as finance, discipline and crowd control, sponsorship, marketing and development.